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HRH gives the key to the door

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IT'S NOT every day a Prince hands you the keys to your own castle – but that's just what happened to one lucky Dorchester family.

Prince Charles dropped in on the Dunford family at their new home on Peverell Avenue East to take a look at what is the 250th home to be built by the Guinness Partnership at

Poundbury.

Nathan and Sarah Dunford from Bridport, along with three of their four children; Samantha, 17, Alicia, ten, and Thomas, two, showed the Prince around the house after being handed the keys by his royal highness.

The Partnership has been involved in Poundbury since 1993,

completed its 100th home there in 2005.

Margaret Morrissey chair from the Poundbury residents committee said she had congratulate the Prince of Wales on the birth of his granddaughter, Charlotte, and told him he needs to bring her

here to visit.

"He told us she was very beautiful," said Mrs Morrissey.

There was also a special rose for the new princess, a Charlotte Rose, presented by Poundbury Gardens staff member Lucy Simpson, which the

Prince promised would be planted in his garden.

Speaking of the latest addition to the family he said: "She is beautiful. I was hoping for a grand-daughter – someone to look after me when I am very old."

The Prince also formally opened the Poundbury Cancer Institute during his Friday visit.

It works to aid the identification of the most effective treatment for individual cancer patients and to find ways to improve the speed of diagnosis.

The Institute hosts the Cancer Diagnostic Quality Assurance Services (CADQAS), an independent not-for-profit organisation which works with the pharmaceutical and analytical industry to implement new cancer tests across the UK.

The institute will offer training to other NHS laboratories and pathology services to ensure a spread of best practice across the UK.

Mr Keith Miller, director of CADQAS CIC said: "It's marvellous that we have had the visit from Prince Charles. He has helped put the cancer institute on the map."

Dr Saleem Taibjee from the County Hospital, which is working

with the institute said: "Dorset has one of the highest incidences of melanoma cancer across Europe."

Touring Poundbury with the Prince was architect, Leon Krier, who worked on the Poundbury extension to Dorchester from the 1980s onwards. Poundbury is now home to around 2,500 people and hosts 170 businesses. Around a third of the homes being built by the time the project is completed in 2025, will be affordable housing.



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DAVE Abbott was born in Swindon, moved to Weymouth in 1964 and went to school at Westhaven Junior School and Westham Secondary Modern School.

He studied catering and was a chef for several years before going into retail including 19 years with the former Weymouth DIY shop Dodgsons. Currently he runs a beach kiosk.

● WHY do you live in Weymouth?

Because I love the place and I couldn't think of anywhere else I would rather live.

● WHERE do you go for your holidays?

Normally in the UK. I love walking so it tends to be West Wales, the Lake District, Yorkshire and Cornwall, all over.

● WHAT is your favourite time of the year?

Summer, because it always has happy people and lots of colour and vibrancy. The whole town comes alive.

● WHAT is your favourite film?

Papillon because I have read the book, it is a true story and it was amazing acting by Steve McQueen.

● WHAT is the scariest thing that has ever happened to you?

Getting knocked off my bike by a hit and run driver who didn't stop. It smashed by helmet, cut my legs and shook me up for ages afterwards. Fortunately, a passing woman took the driver's number and he got his cumpance later!

● IF you could live your life again what would you be?

A professional cricketer. I love the game, I played it for most of my life at local level and I only gave up when my knees gave out.

● WHICH three people would you invite to your dream dinner party?

Gary Sobers because he is a cricket legend and probably the greatest all rounder who has ever lived; Thomas Hardy because I enjoy reading his books and I would love to get an insight into the man; and Mark Knopfler of Dire Straits because I love his music and because he is a magician with lyrics.

● WHAT would you do if you won the Lottery?

I would probably go to Australia for the culture, for the cricket and for the Outback, but I'd still want to come back to Weymouth.

● WHAT do you hope the future holds?

Retirement. I want to work but my knees don't!

CORRECTION

In the May 6th edition of the *View From*, we incorrectly reported the age and length of career of our 60 Second Interviewee, Douglas Rawles.

He is 93-years-old and will be 94 in July, and he worked for 76 years, not 72 as reported.

The *View From* apologises for any confusion caused.



60 SECOND INTERVIEW

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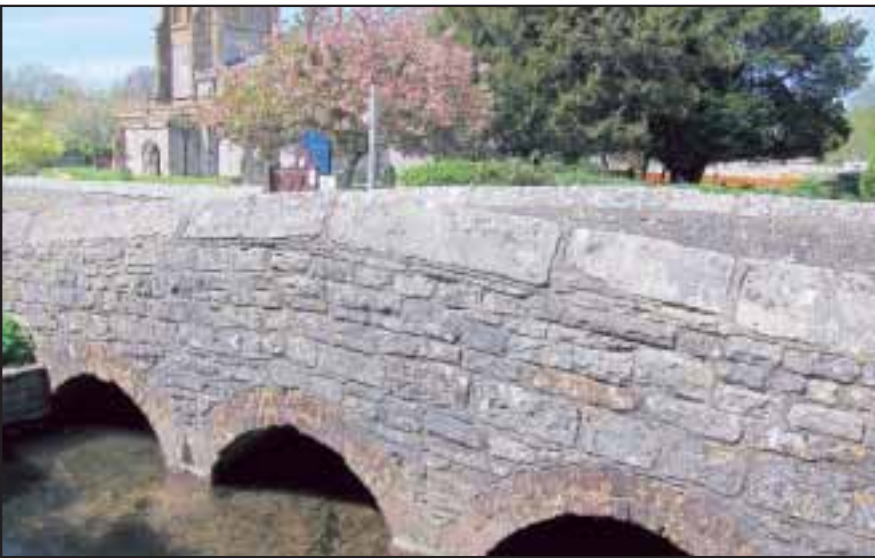
											
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Charminster's East Hill closed for five months



BRIDGE to be rebuilt with larger arches to help prevent flooding

EAST HILL in Charminster will be closed from this week for five months to allow the replacement of a listed bridge.

The bridge, which has small arches, was blamed for flooding which affected nearby houses and the church in January 2014.

Initially it was thought that the bridge could not be altered because it is listed, but negotiations with English Heritage finally resulted in agreement that changes to increase the arches could be made.

The Environment Agency and Dorset County Council have

been working with the church, the local community and key organisations such as English Heritage and West Dorset District Council to develop a scheme to reduce the flooding.

English Heritage have agreed that the existing listed bridge can be dismantled and rebuilt with much bigger arches to allow a better flow of water. Other minor works in the churchyard will help keep water in the river and drainage works will manage the rainwater and groundwater.

East Hill and West Hill will be closed to all traffic at the bridge. Vehicles

will be diverted using signs from East Hill, via Westleaze (the C12 Old Sherborne Road), to Dorchester (junction by Lidl's), then onto the Yeovil Road (B3147), the A37, North Street (A352) and back to West Hill.

A pedestrian diversion will be along a new permanent path constructed round the back of St Mary's Church. This will join Church Lane via a temporary footbridge to East Hill.

There will also be an alternative footway diversion using the existing right-of-way from

Mill Lane, across Alley Bridge, through Haydon Farm to North Street. The footway diversions will become effective after the new footpath and temporary footbridge are in place and will then be signed. Bus routes X11 and 212 will be affected and amended timetables are available from Damory coaches.

The replacement bridge is intended to reflect the character of the existing bridge, using as many of the original bricks as possible and the existing historic parapets will be carefully stored and re-used on the new bridge.

The new road surface will be higher than existing one by 30cm which will accommodate the bigger arches.

The road closure is planned to be lifted on October 3rd, but some traffic management may be needed to finish work on the parapet or approaches.

CAB seeks new recruits

VOLUNTEER advisors are being recruited by the Dorchester and Sherborne offices of the Citizens' Advice Bureau.

During their training, which will start in the summer, the new recruits will meet the fictional family, the Johnsons.

Diana Hensher, training supervisor for the Dorchester, Sherborne and Districts CAB, said: "Our volunteers are introduced to what we call the Johnson family – a most unfortunate family with every problem known to the CAB and our trainee advisors discover how they can help as part of learning how to become part of our team."

Diana would like to hear from people interested in becoming an advisor. The process is based on national CAB systems that ensure information is up to date and involves weekly tutorials, observing advice interviews with clients and two locally-held skills days over 18 months.

She said: "Clients need to know they can always get free and independent advice when they turn to the CAB for help. Sometimes people are in quite a distressed state when they come to us but we can help them get back on track."

"It is a fascinating and rewarding role. It does demand commitment from people and I find that having several people training together in a group works best and adds motivation."

The Bureau is a registered charity with offices in Sherborne and Dorchester. Both offices run projects and outreach services and serve villages in rural areas and volunteers can go on to specialise in areas of particular interest.

Anyone interested in finding out more about training as an advisor can contact Diana via email - bureau@dorchester.cabnet.org.uk or by calling Dorchester (01305) 269051.



CAB training supervisor Diana Hensher

Witness appeal after pub assault

OFFICERS in Dorchester are appealing for witnesses and anyone with information to come forward after an assault at a pub in the town.

A 52-year-old man from Birmingham was punched in the head twice before he fell to the floor. The offender then kicked the victim in the head.

The incident happened at around 10.55pm on Saturday 2 May 2015 in The George pub on Trinity Street.

The victim was taken to Dorset County Hospital with facial injuries.

The offender is described as a white man in his mid to late 30s, around six feet four inches in height and of medium build. He had short dark hair and was wearing either a red short sleeved shirt or a long sleeved grey top, with blue jeans and black shoes.

He left the pub shortly after the incident and got into a taxi on Trinity Street.

A woman with blonde hair and a blue dress had a picture taken with the victim moments before the assault and officers believe she may know who the offender is.

Police Inspector Neil Wood, of Dorchester police, said: "I would like to speak to anyone who may have witnessed the incident or may know the offender."

"Anyone who has any information in relation to what happened should contact police, in confidence, on 101."

No arrests have been made.

Incident number 2:500

Witnesses and anyone with information should call Dorset police in confidence on 101.

Alternatively, call the free, anonymous Crimestoppers line on 0800 555 111 (mobile phone tariffs may apply).

DCH shortlisted for major award

DORSET County Hospital's accident and emergency team has been short-listed for a national award.

It is one of six which has been asked to submit a detailed entry to a panel of judges who will decide the CHKS Top Hospitals awards.

Judges will focus on achievements in healthcare quality and improvements.

The shortlist of six trusts was drawn up following an analysis of 28 measures, which included clinical outcomes and patient experience.

The six shortlisted trusts have been invited to submit a detailed entry using a questionnaire which is then considered by a panel of expert judges. The judges visit three shortlisted trusts and then decide on a winner.

Jason Harries, managing director, CHKS said: "Dorset County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust should take pride in having been shortlisted on the basis of our analysis of A&E outcomes and we look forward to the next stage in the process which will see us announcing a winner on May 19th at our awards ceremony in London."

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Oliver Letwin eases to fifth successive election victory

WEST Dorset MP Oliver Letwin has been handed a cabinet position in David Cameron's new government, after securing a fifth successive election win last week.

Mr Letwin, the area's Conservative MP for the last 18 years, strolled to another comfortable victory, as all of Dorset turned blue following a surprise Tory surge.

The experienced Conservative minister won more than 28,000 votes as he quadrupled his majority.

He was rewarded for his barnstorming victory with a senior role in the Prime Minister's new government, heading up the cabinet office.

Mr Letwin will take up the new position, after serving as Minister of State for Government Policy in the coalition.

The election victory – Mr Letwin's fifth in a row – was finally announced at around 6:15am on Friday, after a long and painful night for his political opponents.

Mr Letwin said he was "privileged" to serve the West Dorset constituency for a fifth term, and thanked his campaign team and supporters for their efforts.

He said the new government would continue to "rebuild the

country", while providing a "secure and better future".

The crushing victory reflected Tory successes around the country, as the unexpected Conservative majority stunned pollsters and pundits.

Like many of her colleagues, Liberal Democrat challenger Ros Kayes – widely tipped to run Mr Letwin close – suffered badly as voters turned their backs on the party.

Bridport's Councillor Kayes secured only 21.6 per cent of the vote share, ahead of UKIP's David Glossop in third, Labour's Rachel Rogers in fourth and Green candidate Peter Barton in fifth.

Mrs Kayes said: "A very big thank you to those of you who

supported me – especially those who set aside tribal political loyalties to do so. I'm so sorry I didn't win through for you.

"It is well nigh impossible for a strong, positive, local campaign to outweigh the impact of a negative national swing."

She added: "I dread to think what will happen in the UK over the next five years – real sell-offs in the NHS, further cuts to an already limping local government and all its services, and privatisation of our schools.

"We must, in Bridport, prepare to be strongly resilient."

Labour's Rachel Rogers said she was "proud" to have extended the party's share of the vote in West Dorset to around 10 per cent.

Speaking on Friday morning soon after the result was announced, she said: "It looks like tonight is going to be a disappointing night for the Labour Party nationally, but locally we have raised our profile significantly and increased our vote share accordingly.

"I fought this campaign on a platform of social justice. Every day I encounter people whose lives have been made more difficult by the policies of the coalition government and I fear there will be worse to come."



■ West Dorset MP Oliver Letwin

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Carers service also helps bereaved

THE Dorchester-based Carers Moving Forward (CMF), support group for people whose loved-ones have had to go into residential care, is to expand its service to include those who have suffered a bereavement.

The group, which has members from Dorchester, Weymouth and surrounding areas, is also expanding geographically, opening a second group in Bournemouth in the autumn.

Founder Enid Evans, said: "Several of our

members have had to cope with the death of their loved one since the group started in Dorchester last September.

"They all feel they have benefited from the information, friendship, support and social activities that we are providing. It's important that we continue to offer our help to them when the person they have cared for, often for a very long time, dies."

The CMF group meets on the third Monday of the month at Age UK,

Rowan Cottage, 4 Prince of Wales Road, Dorchester from 10am to noon. The next meeting will be on May 18th. Everyone is welcome.

Future speakers will talk on subjects ranging from the new Care Act to a humorous but very informative talk on road safety.

In April, members took a behind-the-scenes tour at the Russell Cotes Art Gallery and Museum in Bournemouth and later in May will be visiting Compton Acres

gardens in Poole. Events are planned according to members' wishes.

They also enjoy a monthly Sunday lunch; "The social side of our group is just as important as the monthly meeting for people who suddenly find themselves alone," said Edith. "They relax and really enjoy themselves."

To find out more about CMF, email info@carersmovingforwarduk.co.uk or telephone the charity Help & Care on 0300 111 3303.

Community Action funding fair

THE ANNUAL Dorset Community Action Funding Fair takes place on Monday, May 18th, between 10am and 4pm at The Dorford Centre, Dorchester.

The Funding Fair is

now in its fourth year and provides an opportunity for Dorset-based voluntary community groups, charities and social enterprises to meet face to face with funders and receive advice and guidance to

help them make better, more competitive applications and develop more sustainable income strategies.

Amongst the organisations represented on the day will be the Big Lottery Fund, Heritage Lottery Fund, Dorset Community Foundation, Dorset LEADER Programme, The Charity Bank, Viridor, Magna Housing's Community Investment Fund, Spectrum Housing's Community Grants Scheme, Skills & Learning's Project & Partnership Fund, the Bluebird Care Community Grant Scheme and The Safer Dorset Fund.

A cold buffet lunch and refreshments will be provided.

Delegates will be asked to choose six workshops at the time of booking, four of which will be assigned according to preferences and available

spaces.

Topics include - What Makes Thriving Village Halls? Identifying Issues and Moving Forward; Outside the Box: Stretching Your Organisation's Resources Through Creative Thinking; Renewable Resources and Sustainability for Community Buildings; Crowdfunding and Community Shares: Myths and Facts; Presenting Your Case and Evidencing Need for Big Lottery Fund Grants; How to Win Contracts with Dorset County Council; and Marketing for Sustainability: Telling Your Organisation's Story Effectively.

Further information is available from Pauline Trimming on Dorchester (01305) 216403 or going to the web page: www.dorsetcommunityaction.org.uk/events/dorset-community-action-funding-fair.

Rotarians collect over £3,000 for Nepal



■ SHAKING A tin to help those affected by the earthquake in Nepal

DORCHESTER donated £3,100 to Nepalese villages in a collection made by Rotarians.

Volunteers from the town's three Rotary clubs were collecting in South Street on Thursday and Friday.

One of the town's

three Rotary groups, the Casterbridge club, has been working with a number of remote villages in Nepal to provide them with drinking water over recent years with one of their members visiting last year to see the progress being made.

In addition to the street collections Casterbridge Rotary Club's 'Gardeners' Special' event on May 29th in Stratton Village Hall will also help raise additional funds for Nepal. The evening will feature speakers from Abbotsbury Gar-

dens and Kingston Mauward.

Rotary collectors Keith Bashford Rowland Cornell and Peter Drummond were among the many who gave up their time in South Street last Thursday and Friday to collect for Nepal.

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Member of the Month: May 2015

Liz Jones

How long have you been a member and how often do you use the facilities?
I have been using the Centre since it was first opened and I come 3 times per week.

What was your motivation to start using the Leisure Centre?
To participate in sporting activities which I enjoy.

What is your favourite activity and why?
I really enjoy Primetime badminton and short tennis for the competitive aspect. Iyengar yoga is great for my physical and spiritual well-being.

Congratulations Liz!

Liz comes to my beginners yoga and also plays badminton. She has been coming regularly to the beginners Yoga class during the past year and has made fantastic progress in that time. She has now even convinced her husband Alan to come along to the Yoga. A great member!
Alex, Iyengar Yoga Teacher

What do you really enjoy about using Bridport Leisure Centre?
I am impressed with the dedication and friendliness of all the staff at the Centre. The high quality of the facilities makes a visit to the Centre a very enjoyable experience.



West Dorset turns blue (except for Dorchester town council)

A TIDAL wave of blue has swept across West Dorset in the national and district elections.

The exception to the rule was Dorchester town council where the Liberal Democrats still remain firmly in charge. Most of the town seats at district council level are still also held by the party.

At national level Oliver Letwin increased his vote while his main opponent, Liberal Democrat Ros Kayes, saw her party's previous share fall dramatically.

At West Dorset district council the Tories remain in overall control with 30 of the seats, losing 24 positions, while the Lib Dems increased their numbers from 11 to 12.

Following electoral boundary changes, the district council now has 42 councillors representing 24 wards.

One of the surprises was Gerald Duke, from Martinstown, win-

ning a previous independent seat for the Conservatives in Dorchester West, by just 23 votes. Lib Dem Trevor Jones retained the second seat – 40 years after he was first elected to council.

Robert Freeman, a Conservative, won a previously independent seat in Martinstown with 666 votes.

Dorchester's Lib Dem district councillors were all returned to power at the district council, all of them also holding seats at town council level – Robin Potter and Molly Rennie in the Dorchester South ward and Tim Harries and Stella Jones in Dorchester East. Fellow Lib Dems Andy Canning and Susie Hosford were also returned in Dorchester North with local party chair David Taylor elected for the first time.

Mr Harries said that despite the national situation he believed the party would "bounce back" and



■ MP Oliver Letwin

we continue to fight for their values.

One loser in the Dorchester Town Council election was Viv Allan for the Conservatives, 44 votes short of her nearest winning rival. Amongst the newcomers is Liberal Democrat Janet Hewitt, who has been a swimming instructor in the town for decades.

NATIONAL ELECTION

Oliver Letwin (Conservative).....	28,329 (+2.59%)
Ros Kayes (Lib Dem).....	12,199 (-19.14%)
David Glossop (UKIP).....	7,055 (+8.67%)
Rachel Rogers (Labour).....	5,633 (+3.32%)
Peter Barton (Green).....	3,243, (+4.57%)
Turnout 71.99%.	

WEST DORSET DISTRICT COUNCIL

Broadmayne and Crossways (two-member ward)	
Nigel Bundy (Con)	928
Alan Thacker (Con)	688
Unelected: Jo Archer (Green) 280; Nick Ireland (Lib Dem) 557; Gillian Pearson (Lib Dem) 519; Philip Scull (Independent) 168; Diana Staines (Lab) 274	

Cerne Valley (two-member ward)

Fred Horsington (Con)	1,502
Timothy Yarker (Con)	1,398
Unelected: Anne Clements (Green) 643; Lynda Kiss (Lab) 509; Jillian Mahler (Lib Dem) 720; Iain Young (Lib Dem) 787	

Dorchester East (two-member ward)

Timothy Harries (Lib Dem)	971
Stella Jones (Lib Dem)	1,223
Unelected: Liz Godolphin (Con) 752; Len Herbert (Green) 372; Jenny Shackleford (Green) 511; Barry Thompson (Lab) 508	

Dorchester North (three-member ward)

Andy Canning (Lib Dem)	1,042
Susie Hosford (Lib Dem)	868
David Taylor (Lib Dem)	806
Unelected: Vicki Black (Green) 422; Alistair Chisholm (Independent) 762; Libby Goodchild (Green) 416; Ian Gosling (Con) 722; Geoffrey Markham (UKIP) 455; Margaret Morrissey (Con) 718; Murray Shackleford (Green) 309; Claudia Sorin (Lab) 493; Warwick Taylor (Con) 646	
Dorchester South (two-member ward)	
Robin Potter (Lib Dem)	1,007
Molly Rennie (Lib Dem)	1,302
Unelected: Frances Anderson (Lab) 454; Kate Forrester (Green) 421; Neale Hallett (Ukip) 434; Mark Smith (Green) 300; Antony Stanley (Con) 786	

Dorchester West (two-member ward)

Gerald Duke (Con)	725
Trevor Jones (Lib Dem)	1,152
Unelected: Judy Edwards (Green) 577; Lee Rhodes (Lab) 676; Peter Stein (Con) 684; Roland Tarr (Lib Dem) 702	

Maiden Newton (single member ward)

Jill Haynes (Con)	940
Unelected: Geoff Freeman (Labour and Co-operative Party) 237; Benjamin Tyler (Green) 375	

Netherbury (single member ward)

Mark Roberts (Con)	919
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Unelected: Anthea Bay (Lib Dem) 406; Richard Edwards (Green) 275

Piddle Valley (single member ward)

Peter Hiscock (Con)	1,095
Unelected: David Marriott (Lab) 182; Hilary Woodall (Green) 315	

Puddletown (single member ward)

Patrick Cooke (Con)	893
Unelected: Tony Gould (Lab) 220; Caspar Hulacki (Green) 150; Mel Lane (Lib Dem) 300	

Queen Thorne (single member ward)

Robert Gould (Con)	1,017
Unelected: Peter Jenkins (UKIP) 274; Natalie Miles (Green) 226	

Winterborne St Martin (single member ward)

Robert Freeman (Con)	666
Unelected: Graham Brant (UKIP) 231; Hazel Gant (Lab) 206; Matthew McCourtie (Green) 298	

The first meeting of the new West Dorset District Council will be on Tuesday, May 19th.

During the meeting councillors will elect the Leader, Chairman and Vice-chairman of the council and decide membership of other committees.

The meeting is open to the public and will start at 2.15pm in Committee Area A at South Walks House, Dorchester.

Dorchester town council election results

DORCHESTER EAST

Tim Harries (Lib Dem).....	1,282
Stella Jones (Lib Dem).....	1,545
Fiona Elizabeth Kent-Ledger (Lib Dem).....	1,117
Tony Lyall (Lib Dem).....	1,102
Not elected - Jenny Shackleford, 829; Len Herbert, Green, 727; Barry Thompson, Labour, 655	

DORCHESTER WEST

Gerald Duke (Con)	856
Janet Hewitt (Lib Dem).....	1,080
Trevor Jones (Lib Dem)	1,245
Peter Stein (Con)	837
Gerald Duke, Con, 856; Janet Hewitt, Lib Dem 1,080; Trevor Jones, Lib Dem, 1,245; Peter Stein, Con, 837.	

DORCHESTER SOUTH

Carolyn Biggs (Lib Dem)	989
Gareth Jones (Lib Dem)	1,053
Robin Potter (Lib Dem)	1,125

Molly Rennie (Lib Dem)	1,378
Not elected - Paul Smith, Lib Dem, 810; Len Heath, Lib Dem, 794; Judy Edwards, Green, 793; Lee Rhodes, Lab, 783.	

DORCHESTER NORTH

Barry Armstring-Marshall (Lib Dem)	943
Richard Biggs (Lib Dem)	1,124
Andy Canning (Lib Dem)	1,180
Alistair Chisholm (Ind)	992
Susie Hosford (Lib Dem)	1,173
Tamara Loakes (Lib Dem)	985
Kate Rice (Lib Dem)	1,004
David Taylor (Lib Dem)	1,037
Not elected - Viv Allan, Con, 899; Ian Gosling, Cob, 811; David Green, Con, 772; Sheila Green, Con, 760; Warwick Taylor, Con, 753; Jo Archer, 684; Vicki Black Green 676; Claudia Sorin, Lab, 647; Murray Shackleford, 608; Graham Clarke, UKIP, 570.	

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Far from the Madding Crowd film costumes now on display at Hardy's Cottage

ACTRESS Carey Mulligan's costumes from the new film adaptation of Thomas Hardy's *Far from the Madding Crowd* are on display at Hardy's Cottage.

With the film on general release two of the costumes she wore as Bathsheba Everdene are on show in Hardy's Bockhampton cottage until July 5th.

Through the spring and summer, both Hardy's Cottage and nearby Max Gate, where Hardy later lived and died, will be filled with the words and music of true Hardy

country as Tim Laycock and the New Hardy Players celebrate Hardy's work.

Howard and Alison Payton of the New Hardy Players now live in Dorset, and have a lifelong passion for Hardy. Howard appears in the new *Far from the Madding Crowd* as an Everdene farmer, and Alison as a farm worker.

At 15, Howard picked up the *Far from the Madding Crowd* book at school. He said: "I was hooked from page one, and somehow Hardy dic-

tated my life. Now, 50 years on, I have come full circle. We farmed livestock and trained working colliers, and here we are in Hardy Country, performing with the New Hardy Players, and with the added delight of being supporting actors in the *Far from the Madding Crowd* film.

"Hardy has been a huge influence. Many years ago, I even proposed to Alison with Gabriel Oak's words to Bathsheba '...when ever you look up, there I shall be; and when ever I look up, there

will be you.'"

Martin Stephen, National Trust Visitor Services Manager, said: "Hardy's Cottage, Max Gate and the surrounding countryside were at the heart of Hardy's life. As well as standing in the very rooms in the cottage where he grew up and wrote his first great works, you can wander through the rich woods and heathland from which he drew his inspiration.

"With the release of this major new film, we can bring both Hardy's first and last homes to

life with wonderful Wessex words and music, and give people the chance to see Bathsheba's on-screen dresses for real."

On the evenings of July 9th and 10th, the New Hardy Players will perform Hardy's *The Return of the Native* in the garden of Max Gate.

■ (right) HOWARD and Alison Payton, New Hardy Players ©National Trust/Steven Haywood



Your Letters

FTPT system fails the people

■ OLIVER Letwin alleges that Peter Mann's opening remarks at a recent hustings were 'too political'. Our Mayor's sentiments about community values were met with sustained applause. Mr Letwin clearly felt left out.

The media has highlighted how substantial portions of our health service are being sliced off to feed the voracious appetites of large corporations. How can the Prime Minister assert that this is not the case when his Minister for Government Policy whose long association with the privatisation interests of a merchant bank belies this?

I quote from the New Statesman of 2004: "..... Letwin told a private meeting that the NHS would cease to exist within five years of a Conservative victory. In his words, the health service would be a 'funding stream handing out money to pay people where they want to go for their healthcare'."

Our defunct and obsolete electoral system is now in ruins. First past the post (FPTP) is a disaster. How can a company, never mind a country be run without consensus? For decades, the two main parties have traded insults, told downright lies, taken jobs 'on the side', made unmerited expense claims and stuck their snouts in every financial trough. Often, they have

'strutted their stuff' on the world stage as though they represented us but have usually had the support of only about 16% of votes cast! To hell with the other 80%!

Mr Letwin, recently defended FPTP by saying that we have the same type of government as every other country. Wrong! Other cabinets are formed of ministers from all parties, proportionate to overall votes cast. FPTP resulted in WDDC being led by a Tory cartel which bars discussion and dissent and treats most other councillors as superfluous 'dummies'.

It's clear that our political system fails to represent the many different views of the electorate. I voted last week for the Lib Dems, whose representatives have unfailingly devoted themselves to community values during my 34 years in Dorset.

I hope that eventually all of our politicians will be sourced locally and not turn up at election time like puppets dangled by ringmasters. We at least merit the respect of PR as in Europe, New Zealand, Australia and Scandinavia. FPTP has failed us.

Mike Joslin
Garfield Avenue, Dorchester

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News in brief...

■ **DORSET'S LIVING MEMORIES** project will be the subject of a talk at St George's Hall on Thursday, May 14th at 2.15pm.
The speaker at the Thursday Group meeting will be Margaret Wellspring. Entry costs £1.

■ **A DAWN CHORUS WALK** is being held at the Dorset Wildlife Trust's Kingcombe Centre this Friday, May 15th. The walk costs £15 and includes breakfast.

For details on how to book call (01300) 320684 or visit: www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk.

■ **BOULES OPEN EVENING:** the two boules courts behind Stratton Village Hall will be available for anyone to try at an open event next Tuesday evening, May 19th.

Volunteers recently re-laid the courts ready for this year.

The evening will feature a few games of boules irrespective of standard, whether you have never played or consider yourself a reasonable player.

It starts at 7pm, but those who want to try their hand can come along at any time until light stops play. There will be a few spare sets of boules if you do not have your own.

The boules users are planning to have informal practice sessions twice a month, one mid-week and one Sunday afternoon, weather permitting.

For those interested, future friendly matches against local villages, and even a visiting French group to Bradford Peverell, are being organised.

■ **CHRISTIAN AID WEEK ENDS** in Charminster and Charlton Down this Saturday, May 16th. Uncollected envelopes can be left at 49 North Street, Charminster or other venues with 'Christian Aid Week Leave in Here' posters.

Skatepark Jam is back and all ages can take part

THE ANNUAL Dorchester Skatepark Jam is back against this weekend.

Hundreds of youngsters are expected to take part in the event on Saturday, May 23rd May from noon.

The event attracts some of the best skaters, skateboarders and BMX riders and will also be attended by stalls selling skateboard and BMX related gear.

Dorchester Skatepark Committee, who have organised the event, have managed to gain national support and sponsorship for the day. Maverick, the company who built the skatepark, will be there as well as lots of other companies who will also be bringing teams of skateboarders and BMX riders.

There will be age groups so everyone can get involved and skate and ride, with registration from 11am.

The day is free to attend, paid for by the organisers with support from West Dorset District Council and

Dorchester Town Council.

"Maverick are excited to be involved in the annual skatepark jam in Dorchester. The Dorchester skatepark is such a great example of what can be achieved when a Council works in partnership with a Community Group and the local Police. There are many talented skaters and riders on the scene who have honed their skills on the Dorchester skatepark and it's great to watch them show off their amazing talent at the annual event," said Sue Mitchener, Director of Maverick.

Participants of all ages from under 12s to 40-plus are encouraged to come along and join in – under 9s must bring an adult to register them and all riders are advised to wear helmets and other suitable safety gear.

Emma Scott, Community Development Officer at West Dorset District Council says, "I am really impressed by the amount of great



■ A SKATEBOARDER jumps at last year's event

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help this event has been given from the people who have organised it and those who are running activities and stalls on the day. The business support and sponsorship we have had has been outstanding and the additional stalls coming on the day will make this a really top quality event appealing to people of all ages".

Dorchester property renters pay some of highest deposits in UK

PEOPLE renting accommodation in Dorchester have to pay the second highest deposits of anywhere in the country, apart from London and the south east.

Figures from The Deposit Protection Service (DPS) show that county town residents have find

almost £1,000, on average, for their deposits.

Statistics between April 2014 and March 2015 show average deposit paid to landlords for a rental property in Dorchester was £932.84 - 13.66 per cent above the national average of £820.72.

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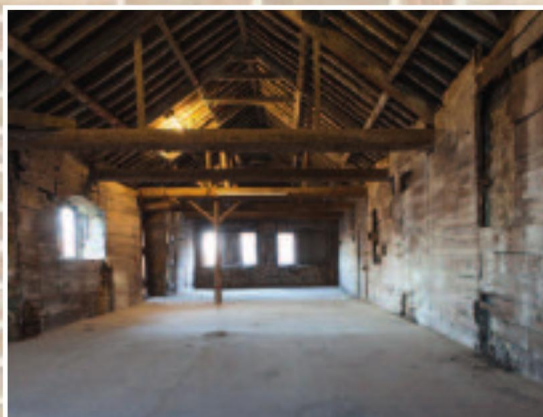
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News in brief...

■ **BRADFORD PEVERELL** hall hosts a plant and general sale this Saturday, May 16th from 10.30am.

Stalls selling bric a brac, plants, cakes, savouries, a raffle, refreshments and home-grown produce will feature at the event, which is free to enter.

■ **PIANIST CORDELIA WILLIAMS**, a former BBC Young Musician of the Year winner, will join Dorset Chamber Orchestra for a concert in Dorchester this weekend.

The concert takes place at St Mary's church at 7.30pm on Saturday, May 16th.

Pieces chosen for the concert include Rossini's overture, Cinderella; Grieg's piano concerto; Schubert's Symphony in B Minor, the so-called 'unfinished' and his Rosamunde Entr'acte No 1.

Tickets can be bought at Harmony Music and may be available on the door.

■ **DORSET COUNTY HOSPITAL'S LOW VISION DAY** this Saturday, May 16th, offers a wealth of help and advice for people with poor eyesight.

The event is being held by the hospital's eye department team from 10am to 2pm in the Education Centre, East Wing.

A range of low vision aids will be available to try and charity representatives and the Dorset Sight and Hearing Team will be on hand for advice.

Those wishing to attend do not need to, just turn up on the day. For further information before the event please call 01305 255260.

■ **ST MARY'S CATHOLIC FIRST SCHOOL** in Dorchester's holds its spring fair on Saturday, May 16th from 12pm until 4pm.

The event offers a wide range of stalls and entertainment.

■ **A GUIDED WALK OVER GIANT HILL** at Cerne Abbas this Sunday, May 17th, will look at wild flowers and the butterflies which feed on them.

The Dorset Butterflies walk starts at 11am and could last three hours, including steep slopes. Walkers will meet in the car park opposite the village hall.

Contact Malcolm Wemyss on 01935 872047 or 07977 287739 or email Melrose@john-lewis.com.

■ **A CAR BOOT SALE** is being held at Puddletown recreation ground this Sunday, May 17th from 8am.

The event is in support of the proposals to create a new play park on the fields there, plans for which have just been agreed. These include a toddler area, teens and skate park area and a fitness trail.

Around £400,000 has to be found to pay for the work, £6,000 of which has been already raised.

Other fund-raising activities are planned – on Sunday, June 7th there will be a Puddletown Play Day and a street fayre on Sunday, August 30th.

■ **ST MARY MONDAY CLUB** next meets on May 18th when Anthony Castleton will speak on the subject of 'living with blindness'.

The 2.30pm to 4pm meeting takes place in the church hall and is open to anyone.

For further information call Rosemary on (01305) 262625 or Audrey 262668.

■ **A BRING AND BUY AND COFFEE MORNING** is being held next Tuesday, May 19th, to support St Simon and St Jude's church at Winterborne Monkton, just south of Dorchester.

The event is being held between 10am and noon at Southmead in the village. There will be preserves and home-baked items, a garden stall and a raffle.

■ **Indoor bowls** will again be held at Piddlehinton gym on Monday mornings. Contact Gordon Fermer on (01300) 345459.

John Craxton talk at museum



■ **BIOGRAPHER** and exhibition curator Ian Collins with one of Craxton's works

THE MAN who curated the current exhibition about Dorset artist John Craxton will be talking about him in the museum this Friday, May 15th.

Ian Collins will be speaking about the life of the man who knew many of this country's best artists

and split his later years between Dorset and Greece.

The talk begins at 7.30pm and is free, although there is a suggested minimum donation of £3 towards the upkeep of the museum.

Bus passengers love X11's driver Barry Friend



■ **BARRY Friend**, driver on Damory's X11 route, with his supporters

PASSENGERS travelling by bus in the region are asking Damory bosses to consider X11 driver Barry Friend as employee of the year.

Many read in the media about the latest recipient of the operator's top accolade - Roger Glegg - and decided to organise a petition nominating the driver for the next award.

"This is an indication of just how much Barry is valued by regular customers on our X11 route between Yeovil and Dorchester," said Damory operations manager, Adam Keen.

"He is an outstanding member of our team - and I am delighted for him. We will certainly be considering him for our 'Pride of Damory Awards 2015, which take place later this year."

Barry was singled out by passengers for his excellent customer service skills, happy demeanour and consideration for those travelling with him.

"Being able to drive a bus is one thing but making sure you spread a little happiness along the way is an extra skill - and we all feel Barry has that," said petition organiser, Mrs Janet Shaw.

"When we heard about Damory's employee of the year scheme we all felt that Barry was an obvious choice. He is an outstanding driver, and we hope he is rewarded for his efforts this year."

Magna staff get their lycra on for Coast to Coast bike ride

A GROUP of local housing association staff will be donning their lycra this weekend to raise money for the Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance.

Ten Magna employees, with friends and family, will be taking part in the coast-to-coast cycle challenge on Sunday 17th May.

The team will be part of 600 riders on the challenging 54 mile route setting off from the west Somerset port of Watchet bound for West Bay.

Team member and head of communication for Magna, Catriona Fountain, commented: "Our aim is not only to complete the ride but raise a good amount for the Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance as it is a charity that relies heavily on donations from the public."

She added: "This particular charity is all the more relevant to us at Magna as it covers the area where we have properties."

The team has set up a 'just giving' page for anyone who wants to sponsor them: www.justgiving.com/Magna-Housing.

Crossways annual awards praise housing scheme

THE COMPANY behind a scheme to bring luxury housing to a former Crossways quarry has won a village award for its contribution to the community.

Red Paxton and Will Vicary from Habitat First picked up the award at the second annual Crossways Community Awards in the village hall.

The company will eventually bring around 1,000 high end homes to a development based around the lakes left on the 560-acre site by years of quarrying.

Amongst the other winners were Don Shaw for helping the local scout group; John Manual, for many years of volunteering and Sandra Sedwell who was given a lifetime achievement award.

Malcolm Jakes was also a winner for helping at community events; while Anthony Cooke and Rick Penberthy were honoured for sharing RAF Warmwell's history and Suzanne and Colin Shaw and Roy Dean, for organising RAF memorial events.

Food festival launched with cheque to Weldmar

WELDMAR Hospice-care Trust fundraising staff and organisers of the annual Dorset Food and Arts Festival have launched the 2015 Festival and presented a cheque to the charity from last year's festival.

The free festival, now in its fourth year, is run with the support of the Duchy of Cornwall at Poundbury. It was founded in 2012 to support and promote Dorset food and drink producers, to celebrate music-making and creativity in Dorset and to raise funds for local charities.

The co-founders of the festival, Nik Ralph of Dorset Farmers Markets and journalist Fanny Charles, presented a cheque for £3,000 to Matt Smith and Katie Slade of Weldmar.

This year's festival will be held in Queen Mother Square on Saturday, August 1st, and will be opened by celebrity chef Lesley Waters. She will also give a demonstration in the Dorset Farmers Market mobile kitchen.

There will be around 50 stalls featuring some of Dorset's finest food and drink producers and demonstrations by

top chefs, including Mark Hartstone from La Fosse at Cranborne and Luke Stuart of White Pepper Cookery School. There will also be a return of the popular chefs cook-off with Matt Budden of the Highcliff Grill, James Golding of The Pig and Brett Sutton of The White Post.

Other highlights of the day will include a return to the Poundbury stage for the North Dorset soprano Charlotte Hewett, and a concert in the evening by the Mill Street Jazz Band.

Street entertainment is being arranged by Artsreach and children's activities including Dorset Forest Schools.

Katie Slade, Events Fundraiser for Weldmar, said: "Once again, we are delighted to be the charity partner for the Dorset Festival and we very much look forward to the 2015 Festival."

The funds raised will help Weldmar to continue to deliver our service for free to our patients and their families across Dorset."

Full details will be on the festival's new website at www.dorset-festival.org.

If you have a story for Dorchester, email trevorbevins@gmail.com

Kingcombe opens new studio space

DORSET Wildlife Trust will hold the official launch of the Kingcombe Centre's new studio and work space with an exhibition of art and sculpture by local artists, from Saturday, May 23rd until Monday 25th.

The renovation of the old barn at the Kingcombe centre includes new facilities for courses and workshops, which include many crafts such as felting, botanical painting and illustration, willow weaving and printmaking, as well as permanent gallery space.

During the weekend Kingcombe course tutors will be exhibiting their work, including fibre artist, Carla Taylor, who will be running the 'Needle felt animal workshop' using Kingcombe's own Dorset poll fleeces.

Entrance is free, there will be art demonstrations throughout the days, children's activities, and the nature reserve is open for people to wonder around and admire the west Dorset landscape.

To find out more and view all the courses and workshops at The Kingcombe Centre go to www.kingcombe.org or phone (01300) 320684.



FLEECE craft by Carla Taylor

© Carla Taylor

Professional training for KM's farming students

AGRICULTURE Students at Kingston Maurward College have been treated to two days of professional sheep shearing training by the British Wool Marketing Board.

The training, for Level 3 students, is considered essential for the aspiring farmers for both their own sheep or shearing professionally in the UK and abroad.

In the UK the Board issues Blue, Bronze, Silver and Gold Seal certificates. Shearers at Blue Seal level are required to be able to shear sheep at an acceptable commercial speed.

Shearers at Bronze Seal standard are able to shear sheep properly and unsupervised. At Silver Seal standard workers are able to shear more sheep in a given time, and workers who hold a Gold Seal are classed as top professional Sheep Shearers.

Whilst shearers in Australia and New Zealand have their own standards, the UK's Seal awards are interna-



KINGSTON Maurward Agriculture students practice their shearing skills

tionally recognised, making UK shearers much sought after.

Over the two day course, 14 students sheared Kingston Maurward's flock of 250 sheep with the aim of working towards achieving their Blue Seal – shearing three sheep in half an hour to the industry standard pattern.

One student, George Grossey, has already achieved his Silver Seal enabling him to shear

nine sheep in half an hour – an accolade which would allow him to shear abroad should he wish.

Many shearers follow the shearing season around the world culminating in New Zealand or Australia, with top shearers shearing up to 270 sheep per day.

Assessors – shearing veterans Richard Pullin and Andy Barratt from the BWMB – were impressed by the students' progress during the

course, Richard said: "These students are the keenest we've had yet. They've worked really hard and really want to achieve. This kind of training is physically heavy going; it makes the students appreciate how much hard work shearing is, but the more you shear the easier it gets."

Student Shaunna Knight said: "It's really hard work, but I'm determined to get my Blue Seal after this training!"

News in brief...

■ THE THREE VALLEYS WILDLIFE GROUP holds a field meeting at Puddletown Forest in the coming week.

The May 19th event will be hoping to find nightjars.

Further details about the group are available by calling Allan Reese on Dorchester (01305) 269912.

■ A GAUDIER ENSEMBLE CONCERT next week will mark the 25th anniversary of the Cerne Abbas Music Festival.

The event takes place on Wednesday, May 20th at 7.30pm in St Mary's Church.

■ STRATTON VILLAGE HALL IS the venue for free security bike marking, on Wednesday May 20th from 7pm - 9pm during Youth Club. All bike owners welcome. Horse tack can also be marked.

■ RUG WEAVING WORKSHOP takes place at the County Museum next Wednesday, May 20th between 1pm and 3.30pm. Booking is essential, on Dorchester (01305) 756827 or via email: shop@dorsetcountymuseum.org.

■ RAGTIME WILL BE RE-VISITED in a lunchtime concert at the County Museum next week with pianist Mike Denham.

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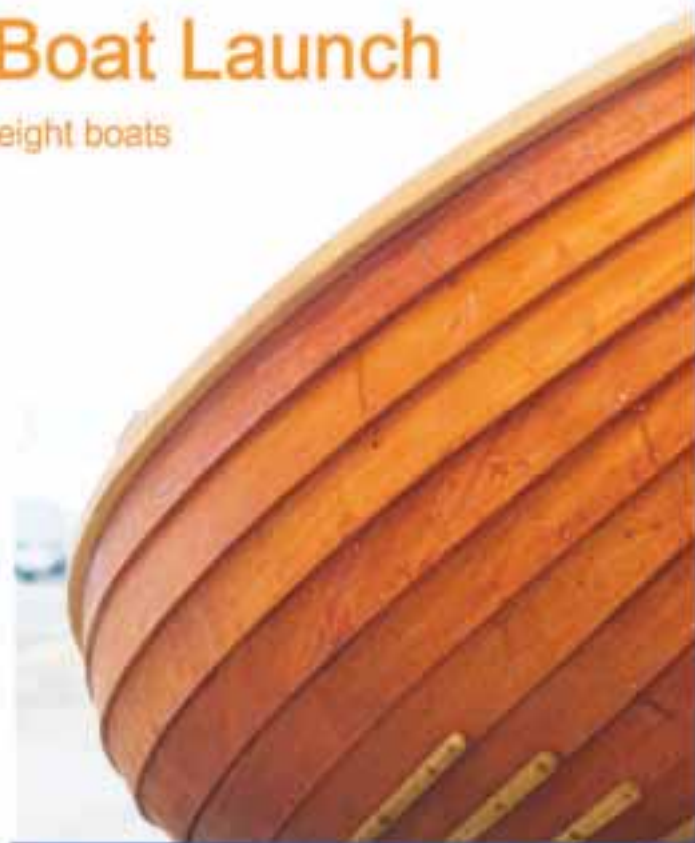
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Join Ridgeway Singers at Reforne for eclectic concert

PEOPLE have a chance to join the Ridgeway Singers and Band in the extraordinary setting of St George's Church, Reforne on Portland for an exhilarating concert. There will be local songs, stories, poetry and dance tunes that reflect the changing seasons and the long and lasting relationship with the sea.

Led by folk musician Tim Laycock and Phil

Humphries of the Mellstock Band, the Ridgeway Singers and Band came together in 2013 to explore the West Gallery tradition of carol singing in South Dorset Ridgeway villages.

A number of rural churches in the Ridgeway area have retained their West Galleries as has St George's and, through a series of Art-sreach Heritage Lottery

funded projects, the group have turned the spotlight back on to this style of music, giving four sell-out carol concerts over the last two winters.

In 2014 the group extended its repertoire to encompass folk songs collected in Dorset by brothers Henry and Robert Hammond in 1905-1906.

This new programme for Portland features

songs from Dorset's rich heritage of maritime music and sea shanties, with a selection of local stories, poetry and dance tunes.

The event on June 13th at 7.30pm in St Georges cost £5 with tickets available from Frances Sargents on 07977-883187, Art-sreach on 01305-269512 or from Cards and celebrations at Easton.

Neptune arises from the sand



SAND sculptor Mark Anderson refreshes his creation

WEYMOUTH sand sculptor Mark Anderson has just created Neptune, the Greek god of the sea which will be the figurehead for the National Trust's Neptune Coastline fundraising campaign.

The campaign began in 1965 to protect the coast from the threat of development and look after it forever for the nation.

Neptune has been specially created to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Trust's fundraising campaign and is now on display at Sandworld

in Weymouth until the end of November.

National Trust West Dorset general manager Helen Mann said: "I am delighted Mark agreed to work with us and create this magnificent sand sculpture of Neptune, our coastal figurehead.

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- Prune out old flower stems of euphorbias to provide more space for new stems, wearing gloves as the sap is a skin irritant
- Tie in new growth and flower stems on clematis, directing the stems where you want blooms
- Feed roses, sprinkling a generous handful of rose fertilizer around the base of your roses, hoeing into the soil surface if possible
- Continue sowing mangetout peas in shallow trenches
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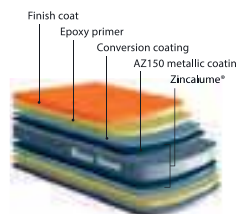
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New artwork unveiled at The Bull

STAFF at a popular Bridport hotel have unveiled an eye-catching new artwork to welcome visitors. Local artist Katie Brent's portrait of a pedigree Longhorn bull was hung from the reception wall at The Bull Hotel last week.

The team asked Mrs Brent, a teacher at Beaminster School, to create an artwork reflecting the establishment's tradition and heritage.

And the stunning portrait was finally unveiled to visitors at the hotel on Thursday.

"This is a perfect fit for the hotel – we couldn't just put any old cow up on the wall!" said Alison Pember, general manager at The Bull.

"We wanted something to signify the heritage of

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the hotel."

The painting, which portrays a pedigree Longhorn – known as the "gentle giant" of the cattle family – is now hanging in the hotel's reception area. Mrs Brent painted the bull, named Larkspur, after one of her students mentioned the prize-winning Longhorn in class.

She said: "I fell in love with him immediately and he proved to be the perfect model, letting me take lots of photos to take back to my studio. In

fact, I think he quite enjoyed it.

"I can't thank his owner, Will Glover, enough for allowing us to use his beautiful beast."

Unveiled on Thursday, Larkspur replaces the iconic painting of Claudia Cardinale, which was created by another local artist, Trish Wiley.



■ HOTEL manager Alison Pember (left) and artist Katie Brent unveiled The Bull's new mascot, Larkspur, on Thursday

Visual arts group at the timber yard

AN EXHIBITION of work from 40 Dorset artists from Dorset Visual Arts' Interrogating Project Groups will be taking over The Old Timber Yard in West Bay from Saturday, May 23rd to Friday, June 19th.

'What Artists Really Do' will be a mixture of investigative and process based work from Interrogating the Landscape, The Figure and Materials.

But alongside the exhibition, many other activities will be taking place around West Bay.

On Wednesday, May 27th, Beaminster artist Stephen Yates will be taking people on an art trail around West Bay.

Local artist Hugh Dunford Wood will be holding a sketchbook surgery at The Old Timber Yard in West Bay on Wednesday June 3rd.

It is suitable for 13-year-olds and older and people are invited to bring along their sketchbooks and build confidence to approach a blank page.

This workshop costs £12 and takes place from 10am to 1pm.

A special film screening will take place at The Old Timber Yard on Wednesday June 10th, 'Herb & Dorothy – You Don't Have To Be A

Rockefeller To Collect Art'.

It tells the story of a postal clerk and a librarian who in the early 1960s in America managed to build one of the most important contemporary art collections in history with very modest means.

Tickets cost £7.50 and starts at 7pm. To book tickets for any of these events, call 01305 853100 or email admin@dorsetvisualarts.org

Taste trial deadline

BRIDPORT Local Food Group, the organisation behind Bridport Food Festival, is extending the deadline for getting involved with the Bridport and West Bay Taste Trial.

Food and drink establishments in Bridport or West Bay now have until Friday (May 15th) to sign up and be involved.

For more information visit www.bridportfoodfestival.co.uk

BRIDPORT CRIME UPDATE

BRIDPORT police are appealing for any witnesses or anyone with information about the following crimes to call 101 quoting the crime number.

On Friday, May 8th, between 12:15pm and 1pm, a vehicle parked in the Halstock area was broken into and a mobile phone and wallet were stolen. Crime number C:15:D:019855.

On Sunday, May 10th at ap-

proximately 5:45am, a vehicle parked in East Street car park was broken into and a wallet was stolen. Crime number C:15:D:020127.

On Sunday, May 10th between 7pm and 7:20pm a vehicle parked at Langdon Hill car park was broken into and a handbag and an overnight bag were stolen. Crime number C:15:D:020225.

Between April 26th and May 8th, a trumpet was stolen from a shop in Symondsburry. Crime number C:15:D:019870.

On Wednesday, May 4th between 1pm and 2:30pm a black male attended an address in Bridport claiming to be a courier of TSB Bank and fraudulently obtained bank cards which were used to withdraw cash. Crime number: C:15:D:019939.

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Dorset County Council has joined forces with Bournemouth-based Nourish Care and European researchers to explore the use of new technologies in care management for vulnerable people.

The trial will look at connecting people caring for a family member or friend and will give multiple carers access to shared calendar, task and wellbeing checks.

Information on a person receiving care is presented online in a secure timeline, accessible to authorised users to allow a full picture of all the support a vulnerable person is receiving and provides details of their wellbeing.

People will be better able to remain in their own homes and stay safe, as the risks associated with independent living can be monitored

and responded to before a crisis develops.

The project will focus on the use of mobile apps and handheld devices, but will also extend to other products such as 'wearables', including smart watches to assist people to stay in their own homes and improving the overall quality of care provided.

The trial will include people with dementia living at home, and people returning home after a stay in hospital including those at risk of dehydration.

It will look at ways to use technology to improve the quality of care, helping people to stay independent and reduce the need for readmission to hospital.

The people invited to take part in the trial typically receive care from many different sources - such as doctors, nurses, care workers and meal providers, as well as family and carers.

Co-ordinating that information between all the care providers has always been a challenge,

and in many cases records are still kept on paper.

The project will look at ways to use the technology such as mobile apps to improve information sharing between carers, family and care professionals, with the person staying in control of who can see what.

The main aim of the project is prevention made possible by using technology to monitor aspects of a person's wellbeing such as, check that they are eating enough and staying hydrated.

Alison Waller, head of partnership and performance for adult social care at Dorset County Council, said: "There is huge potential for technology to support longer independent living and increased peace of mind for the whole family and carers.

Nuno Almeida, Founder and CEO of Nourish said: "We have so much new technology available, and we want to look at how we can use it in a way that

makes sense. Our focus is on trying to ensure people have the best possible quality of life, which is an enormous challenge when people have complex health and social needs.

"Addressing small problems early has the potential to stop them turning into bigger issues. One of the major risk factors for falls is dehydration. Making sure people get enough fluids has been shown to reduce the chance of them having a fall and ending up in hospital.

"But one reminder to drink a glass of water may not be enough. So in this trial we want to look at how we can use technology to prompt, remind and actually monitor if a person has drunk enough.

"Getting some of these apparently small things right can lead to a huge difference to a person's wellbeing."

The first results from the trial should be available early next year with a roll-out of a wider programme shortly after.

Heart of Westham draws the crowds



■ RYAN Hope (left) and Deputy Mayor Christine James check out the soup watched by Tony Gibbons of the Friendly Food Club

PEOPLE flocked to join in when the second Heart of Westham community day was held in Weymouth.

The event, at Weymouth Community Safety Centre, was organised by Westham Community Group in partnership with Dorset Fire and Rescue Service and the Safewise safety charity.

Visitors enjoyed music from a ukulele band and a demonstration by Odyssey Majorettes while there were also more than a dozen craft stalls, play activities and a bouncy castle.

Inside the main building there was a whole variety of stalls from tombolas to cakes and a barbecue as well as a chance for children to dress up as a fireman or see their teddy rescued.

Co-organiser Erika Fry said: "We had various stalls to let people know what they can do in Westham and we also provided activities and other events such as chip pan fire demonstrations. There is so much to do in Westham from sports and charity groups to majorettes, luncheon clubs and many events at the Community Safety Centre."

Westham Community Group chairman Ryan Hope said: "The message coming out of this event is that Westham is a hive of activities and people should take advantage of them

There were also cookery demonstrations by Tony Gibbons showing people a soup and asking them to guess the ingredients. Children also had a chance to make their own omelettes.

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Spitting image



WEYMOUTH'S Nothe Fort is to stage a concert by the Fab Beatles followed by a firework display on Saturday, May 30th at 7.30pm.

Admission is by ticket only and the gates will open from 6.30pm so people can bring in picnics.

The Fab Beatles formed in 1991 and have risen through sheer hard work and dedication to be one of the most sought-after Beatles tribute bands in the world today with concerts performed all over the UK, Europe, Middle East and the Americas.

The show starts with early Hamburg material and goes right through all the singles and album

tracks to 'Let It Be' and the break-up with a repertoire that is second to none.

Seating is available or people can bring their own. Cafeteria and full bar service will be available. A pre-show 60s-style dinner at £13per person is at 6pm and it must be booked in advance either on-line or from the Fort reception.

Adult tickets cost £15 with children under 16 paying £12.

Tickets are available on-line from www.nothe-fort.org.uk and from the Nothe Fort reception on (01305) 766626.

Three in ten Weymouth adults clinically obese

A WEIGHT loss expert from Weymouth has struck gold for the work he does in helping more than 100 people lose weight at his local group every week.

Mick Adams, who runs the weekly Southill Community Centre Slimming World group, has been awarded 'Gold' status by the national slimming club because of the service he provides and his success in supporting slimmers to reach their dream weight.

The accolade is given to Slimming World consultants who consistently have 100 or more members in their group over several months and who provide a quality service.

It represents the highest level of service in slimming and places Mick's in the top five per cent of the organisation's 3,500 Consultants.

Mick said: "I am delighted to have received the 'Gold' award. I absolutely love my job, I'm passionate about helping people to transform their lives by losing weight and seeing them succeed is reward enough, but being given this recognition for the whole group really is the icing on the cake."

"This award belongs to the Southill Community Centre group's 190 members. They're the ones who make our group the success that it is, with their fabulous commitment, the wonderful support they give each other every week and, obviously, their impressive weight losses while following Slimming World's Food Optimising eating plan."

He added that the group has lost more than 189 stone so far this year, but obesity is still at a record level with nearly three out of ten adults in Weymouth obese.

Mick said: "It's never been more important that overweight people get the support to make changes to and lead healthier lives."

To join the Southill Community Centre group, which is held every Saturday at 8.30am and 10.30am at Southill Community Centre Radipole Lane Weymouth, either pop along or give Mick a call on 07710 146643.

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BALLET THEATRE UK RETURN
Group will perform Aladdin on visit to Dorchester *see page 23*

TRANSMISSION

Your guide to local live music

upcoming gigs

Friday 15 May
Electric Palace, BRIDPORT
Stompin' Dave and His Bluegrass Band
Doors 7pm.
£10.50 adv/£12 door
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
UK My Les Paul meet 8.30pm

Saturday 16 May
Arts Centre, BRIDPORT
Gaz Brookfield
8pm. £8/£7/£6

Re-loved Vintage & Tea Rooms/Bistro, 2 Cornhill, DORCHESTER
Bernardo playing Vintage Guitar
7pm. Free entry, booking advised - 01305 257070.

Electric Palace, BRIDPORT
Swing Unlimited All Stars Big Band: A tribute to Count Basie
Doors 6.30pm.
£13+bf adv/£15 door

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
UK My Les Paul meet 8.30pm
Nag's Head, LYME REGIS
Real World

Sunday 17 May
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
Gut & Steel 4pm

Tuesday 19 May
Arts Centre, BRIDPORT
Pool of Sound String Quartet
7.30pm. £10/£8/£6

Friday 22 May
Arts Centre, BRIDPORT
Jazz Café: Sound of Blue Note
8pm. £10/£5

Saturday 23 May
Re-loved Vintage & Tea Rooms/Bistro, 2 Cornhill, DORCHESTER
Bernardo playing Vintage Guitar
7pm. Free entry, booking advised - 01305 257070.

Nag's Head, LYME REGIS
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Saturday 30 May
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Nag's Head, LYME REGIS
Bug Tree Swamp

Iconic jazz and soul sounds of the 50s and 60s recreated

THE SOUND OF BLUE NOTE IN BRIDPORT

THE "Sound of Blue Note" Band will be at the Bridport Arts Centre on Friday, May 22nd with guest DJ James Baker.

The iconic sound and image of the Blue Note record label in the 50s and 60s pioneered "hard bop", mixing jazz with soul, blues and gospel. Playing swinging, funky tunes by major figures including Blue Mitchell, Wayne Shorter and Freddie Hubbard, The Sound Of Blue Note faithfully recreate that vibrant music exactly as it would have been heard "back in the day".

The band will be performing pieces from their new CD "Outside In" and this show promises to deliver swing and soulfulness with a selection of tunes that exemplify the Blue Note legacy while steering clear of the well-worn 'standards' that have been played by so many others. The Sound Of Blue Note is guaranteed to have you bobbing your head, tapping your toes and racing back to (or re-stocking) your record collection to revisit these classics.

The band features some of the South's finest jazz musicians, with Ian Ellis on tenor sax, Andy Urquhart on trumpet, Guy Gardner on piano, Ben Taylor on bass and Andy Hague on drums. They have worked with many great musicians including Jools Holland, Tina May, Ruby Turner, Ian Shaw and James Taylor. The band is going from strength to strength performing at top venues including London's Dean Street Pizza Express and Boisdale's, and sometimes putting on shows with special guests Ian Shaw, Mark Nightingale and Alan Barnes.

To add to the evening, guest DJ James Baker will be

spinning discs before the show and also in the interval and afterwards; James is a much sought-after specialist in vinyl, who has supported a range of artists including Courtney Pine and Avishai Cohen, and he will ensure a great atmosphere.

The Sound of Blue Note Band play at Bridport Arts Centre on Friday, May 22nd 8pm (doors 7.30pm with DJ James Baker)

Tickets are £10 from the box office on 01308 424204 or online at www.bridport-arts.com.



The Sound of Blue Note Band

SOUTH WEST ANTHEMS AND EVERYMAN TALES OF LIFE FROM GAZ BROOKFIELD

JOIN acoustic singer Gaz Brookfield at Bridport Arts Centre on Saturday, May 16th, when you can expect instantly accessible every-man tales of life, love and everything else in between.

The Bristol based musician is best known for his catchy anthem to life in the south west, West Country Song. Compared to performers like Frank Turner and Billy Bragg, Gaz has toured with likes of Newton Faulkner, The Levellers, I Am Kloot and more.

In 2010 he won Acoustic Magazine's Singer Songwriter of the year competition, earning him, among other prizes, a slot on the Big Top stage at the Beautiful Days festival firmly cementing him as a regular on the UK festival circuit.

Gaz Brookfield plays at Bridport Arts Centre on Saturday, May 16th at 8pm. Tickets are available from Bridport Arts Centre's Box Office on 01308 424204 or via the website at www.bridport-arts.com.



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A ROYAL NIGHT OUT ^{12A}

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Stars Sarah Gadon, Rupert Everett and Emily Watson

Cinema Listings

Fri, May 15th - Thu, May 21st

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Far From The Madding Crowd ^{12A}

Fri, Mon, Thu: 20.00

Sat & Sun: 17.00, 20.00

Tue: 15.50, Wed: 14.00, 17.10, 20.00

Home ^U

Sat & Sun: 14.30

English National Opera: The Pirates of Penzance (live)

Tue: 19.15

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The Age of Adaline ^{12A}

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Sat: 20.20, Sun: 18.00, Tue: 12.20

Annie ^{PG}

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Big Hero 6 ^{PG}

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Birdman ^{12A}

Thu: 19.30

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Daily: 13.10, 15.30, 17.50, 20.10

Sun: 11.00am

Cinderella ^U

Sat & Sun: 13.20

Home ^U

Sat & Sun: 10.15, 12.30

Two By Two ^U

Sat & Sun: 10.00, 12.10

Fast & Furious 7 ^{12A}

Sat & Sun: 13.05

The Falling ¹⁵

Fri, Mon-Thu: 12.10

The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge Out of Water ^U

Sat & Sun: 11.00am

Mad Max: Fury Road ^U

Daily: 12.15, 15.00, 16.45, 17.45, 19.30, 20.30

Pitch Perfect ^{12A}

Daily: 12.50, 14.30, 15.30, 17.10, 18.10, 19.45, 20.45

plus Sat & Sun: 11.50am

Muppets Most Wanted ^U

Sat: 10.50am, Sun: 10.00am

Lyme set to get jazzing

LYME Regis Jazz & Blues Weekend aims to get everyone jazzing with an eclectic collection of gigs which feed mind, body and soul. Whether your tastes are traditional or contemporary, with some hot spicy sauce on the side, the Weekend has something to tickle the taste buds.

The weekend gets jazzing from Friday evening (May 29th) in the garden overlooking Lyme Bay at the Mariners Hotel with Arcadia Jazz Band's tribute to Humphrey Lyttelton. Band leader Clive Smith is a formidable horn player, whether on trumpet or flugel, and relives his personal encounters with the man himself in a musical tribute. Meanwhile the Mariners team will be pulling out the stops with a special Creole BBQ over the weekend to bring a distinctive taste of Louisiana to Lyme Regis.

On Saturday the Philip Clouts Trio take to the stage at Marine Theatre to play an afternoon matinee of contemporary jazz based on the critically acclaimed Direction South album. Philip is no stranger to Lyme Regis, performing regularly at Jazz in the Bar at Marine Theatre and also boasts appearances at Ronnie Scott's, Glastonbury and Womad, with air plays on the Jamie Cullum Show.

Jazz up Sunday morning (May 31st) with a Jazz Brunch treat at By the Bay Restaurant on Marine Parade to combine some cool jazz from Clive Smith's Trio, a slap up breakfast and some of the best sea-views in Lyme Regis.

Julie Sheppard, the festival's organiser said: "This year's jazz strand has a very local feel to it with some familiar faces popping up in different venues. We've got some talented musicians on our doorstep who we should cherish and celebrate – so, come and hear them – you won't be disappointed".

Jazz in the Garden: Arcadia Jazz Band, Friday, May 29th, doors open: 6.30pm, Mariners Hotel, Silver Street (garden), £6.

Jazz Matinee, Philip Clouts Trio, Saturday, May 30th, doors open: 1.30pm, Marine Theatre, £8

Jazz Brunch – Clive Smith's Trio, Sunday 31st May, By the Bay Restaurant, Marine Parade, doors open: 9.30am. £12 includes any one item from breakfast menu plus tea/coffee.

Tickets from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre: 01297 442138



Philip Clouts

The Lord of the Dance Settee

AFTER covering weighty issues like death, love, religion and spam javelins, 'The King of Edinburgh' (6 Music) Richard Herring is in a frivolous mood with his new show.

Lord of the Dance Settee is a show about daftness, whether the term 'cool comedian' is an oxymoron, bouncing joyously on the sofa and how Herring's whole career is a failed attempt to top a piece of visual slapstick comedy he came

up with at sixteen.

Can he revisit the joke thirty years on or will it smash his old bones?

Richard Herring brings *Lord of the Dance Settee* to the Electric Palace, Bridport on Thursday, June 11th. Doors open 7.15pm for 8.15pm start. Tickets are £15 (plus booking fee) in advance, or £17 on the door. Advance tickets available from www.seetickets.com or by calling 01308 424901.



Richard Herring

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Ballet Theatre UK return to Dorchester with Aladdin

FOLLOWING their enchanting production of Swan Lake, Ballet Theatre UK return with Aladdin - a dazzling re-telling of an exotic tale boldly brought to life through the magic of classical ballet on Thursday, May 28th at Dorchester Corn Exchange.

Follow the tale of the lonely orphan whose life is destined for greater things. Tricked by an evil sorcerer, Aladdin sets out on a quest in search for the ultimate treasure. Deceived, Aladdin is left alone in a dark and damp cave to where he will uncover a life-changing object...a dusty old lamp.

With just one rub of the magical lamp, Aladdin's journey will sweep you into an exotic world full of daring adventure, enchanting spells, unbelievable riches, treachery and of course true love.

Ballet Theatre UK are building a reputation as one of the finest small-scale touring dance companies in the UK and Dorchester Arts are proud to bring these tal-

ented young dancers and choreographer Chris Moore's imaginative productions to Dorchester once more.

Ballet Theatre UK, founded by Artistic Director Christopher Moore has rapidly become one of the UK's most popular touring companies. An innovative classical dance company, with a bold and unique approach, it raises awareness of dance within the community by being accessible to people from all ages and walks of life, both nationally and internationally. Moore takes inspiration from an eclectic mix of classical dance, theatre, popular culture and literature which in turn allows him to further explore and develop the timeless classical ballets and to create new and innovative original productions.

Aladdin will be performed at Dorchester Corn Exchange on Thursday, May 28th, 7pm. To book call Box Office 01305 266 926 or visit www.dorchesterarts.org.uk

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UNTIL WEDNESDAY MAY 20TH

LYME REGIS: Land artist John Calder and painter Elizabeth Fortescue join forces to explore their relationships with the West Dorset landscape around them in a joint exhibition called 'Both Sides of the Hill' at the Malthouse Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane. Daily; 10.30am-4.30pm. Free admission.

WEDNESDAY MAY 13TH

LYME REGIS: U3A talk: Belmont - (Lyme house that belonged to John Fowles and previously owned by Eleanor Coade) The Work Beneath The Sheet-ting. 10am coffee, 11am talk by Carole Paton, building surveyor and Stuart Leavy, site manager about the house that has been taken over, renovated and restored by the Landmark Trust. They will reveal the work, the changes and the future of the house. Woodmead Halls. Further information: 07802 751828.

DORCHESTER: Wheelchair Dance Classes for those in wheelchairs or with limited mobility. 7.15pm-8.45pm at The Drama Studio, St Osmund's Community Sports Centre, Barnes Way, DT1 2DZ. £3.50 per person, carers free. For more information please contact Wheel Keep Dancing on 07570 404509 or wheelkeepdancing@hotmail.co.uk

DORCHESTER: Coffee Pop-In Every Wednesday at Dorchester Community Church, Acland Road. Stall selling small items, proceeds to the work of Dorcas Wessex Trust. Open 9.30am-12noon. All welcome.

DORCHESTER: Christian Aid Annual Market at United Church Hall, South Street, 9.45am-1.30pm. Stalls galore, coffee and tea, ploughman's lunches and desserts from 12noon. Official opening by Councillor Peter Mann, Mayor of Dorchester.

DORCHESTER: Goodnight Mister Tom will be screened at Evergreens Cinema, Prince of Wales Road. Cinema lights will dim at 1.45pm, tea and biscuits will be served during the showing for just £1.50, ice creams will also be available. Everyone welcome. For more details call 01305 26944.

THURSDAY MAY 14TH

DORCHESTER: Thursday Group meeting at St George's Hall. Presentation by Margaret Wellspring entitled 'Dorset's Living Memories - the inside story'. Starts 2.15pm. Entry £1 includes tea/coffee, all are welcome. For more details call 01305 259755.

THURSDAY MAY 14TH - WEDNESDAY MAY 27TH

LYME REGIS: Three Dorset-based artists reunite to display atmospheric works based on their inspiring coastal landscape using oils, acrylics and silk in an exhibition called VEN: Vicky Stride, Eddie Burrows, and Nicola Dennis at The Courtyard Gallery, Town Mill, Mill Lane. Daily, 10.00am-4.30pm. Free admission. For more details, see www.townmill-lartsguild.com or www.townmill.org.uk

FRIDAY MAY 15TH

BROADMAYNE: Market and Plant Sale 2-3.30pm, St Martin's Community Hall, (Next to the Church), Cakes, Preserves, Raffle, Craft, Plants, , Bric-a-brac, books, Jigsaws, Cards, Local Pork, Sausages and Eggs, Local Watercress, Plants from a local Nursery and all kinds of things for your garden and a chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee. All proceeds to St Martin's Community Hall. For further information please contact Eleanor Piper 01305 853765.

SATURDAY MAY 16TH

UPLYME: Ballroom, Latin and some Sequence dancing at Uplyme Village Hall. Entry £4.50 per person in aid of hall funds. 8-10.30pm. For more details call 01297 442439

BOTHENHAMPTON: Film: 'The Theory of Everything' at Bothenhampton Village Hall, doors 7pm for 7.30pm. Tickets £4 for members of the film club, £5 everybody else. For more details call 01308 423071.

MONDAY MAY 18TH

DORCHESTER: Are you a mum/carer for a young child and would like to meet with others for play and chat? if so, you may like to know that there is a group that meets at Dorchester Community Church, Acland Road, every Monday from 11.30 to 2.15pm. You will find a warm welcome so why not come along? For more details call 01305 265579.

WEDNESDAY MAY 20TH

EYPE: West Dorset Decorative and Fine Arts Society meeting. 'The Historical use of Wallpaper in the British interior 1685 to the present day' by Mrs Diana Lloyd. At Highlands End Leisure Centre, 2.30pm. For more details call 01297 443615.

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FRIDAY MAY 22ND - WEDS JUNE 3RD

LYME REGIS: Enjoy the latest works from local artists at The Lyme Regis Art Society Annual Exhibition at The Malthouse Gallery, Town Mill, Mill Lane. Daily, 10.30am-4.30pm, and preview and prize-giving on Friday 22 May from 6-8pm. All welcome. Free admission. For more details, see www.townmill-

Discover the art of John Craxton this weekend

JOHN Craxton once described the county in saying "The Dorset landscape is not an obvious physiognomy but, like a person, has many hidden aspects - the mysterious enigmatic earthworks, tumuli and barrows, the atmosphere of conspiracy from the great days of smuggling still lingers, the deep, impenetrable forests with King John's hunting lodge to prove that time is ever relative"

On May 15th, Ian Collins will be re-visiting the Dorset County Museum with his talk exploring John Craxton's early life and his passion of the Dorset landscape and history that was an inspiration for the work he produced. Whilst staying with his artist uncle and aunt in a cottage on the Cranborne Chase.

Ian's talk takes place a 7.30pm on Friday, May 15th (doors open at 7pm). The event is FREE of charge but a donation of £3 is encouraged to cover costs.

On the next day, Saturday, May 16th a private tour of Dorset County Museum's current exhibition, A Poetic Eye: John Craxton on Cranborne Chase and Crete. The tour will be led by the exhibition's curator, Ian Collins

The tour is a great opportunity to see the exhibition up close and hear the story of John Craxton's journey from Cranborne Chase to Crete, exploring his journey into warmth, light and colour. Following the tour, a brunch will be provided in the Museum's Tea Room.

The tour starts at 11am on Saturday, May 16th and tickets cost £10. There are a limited number of spaces available and places must be booked in advance.

For further information contact the Museum on 01305 756827 or check the website on www.dorsetcountymuseum.org

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8.00-9.00pm CIRCUITS

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BEAMINSTER: Special Choral Concert at St Mary's, 7.30pm. Beaminster Singers join forces with the Esterhazy Singers (based in the City of London). Tickets are £10 from www.beaminstersingers.org, the Church Office in Hogshill Street, or at the Yarn Barton Centre.

MONDAY MAY 25TH

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DORCHESTER: Are you a mum/carer for a young child and would like to meet with others for play and chat? if so, you may like to know that there is a group that meets at Dorchester Community Church, Acland Road, every Monday from 11.30 to 2.15pm. You will find a warm welcome so why not come along? For more details call 01305 265579.

BRIDPORT: Friends of Bridport Millennium Green May Fair. From 12noon. The fair will be opened, and the May Queen crowned, by Sarah Horton, local London marathon runner. Events include Quangle Wangle Choir, children's games, bouncy castle, and lots of handicraft and charity stalls, along with music, hot and cold food and drinks. All proceeds to the upkeep of the Millennium Green. For more details call 01308 423078.

HAWKCHURCH: Antiques & Collectables Fair from 11:30am to 3pm at the Fairwater Head Hotel. Free entrance to customers and light refreshments available. Tel 01297 678349 or email info@fairwaterheadhotel.co.uk for more information or stall enquiries.

BRIDPORT: Bridport Millennium Green are pleased to announce that the Scottish Dancers and the Quangle Wangle Choir will be performing at their May Fair, starting at 12 noon. As well as the usual Maypole Dancing and crowning of the May Queen, there will be lots of stalls, including Bothenhampton Knit and Natter group, Indian Street Children, a wood turner and peg dolls. There are also children's games and a bouncy castle. Entrance is free and all are welcome at the Green, at the top of Downes Street. Details from Sue Wilkin-son, 01308 425037.

WEDNESDAY MAY 27TH

LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Photographic Club Pub Quiz at the Inn Place, Pilot Boat Inn, starts 7.30pm.

DORCHESTER: Coffee Pop-In Every Wednesday at Dorchester Community Church, Acland Road. Stall selling small items, proceeds to the work of Dorcas Wessex Trust. Open 9.30am-12noon. All welcome.

SATURDAY MAY 30TH

UPLYME: Ballroom, Latin and some Sequence dancing at Uplyme Village Hall. Entry £4.50 per person in aid of hall funds. 8-10.30pm. For more details call 01297 442439

BRIDPORT: Coffee morning organised by West Dorset Music Community Orchestra from 10am to 1 noon in Bridport United Church hall, East Street. Stalls for cakes, books, bric-a-brac and a raffle. Also charity stalls - Good Books, Uparo, the Living Tree, WAWA and Save the Children.

MONDAY JUNE 1ST

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WEDNESDAY JUNE 3RD

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THURSDAY JUNE 4TH

BRIDPORT: Andrew Nix performs for Bridport Electronic Organ & Keyboard Club, at United Church Hall, East Street. From 7.30pm. Members £7, visitors welcome £8. For more details call 01460 73500.

MONDAY JUNE 8TH

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BEAMINSTER: Dorset Moviola presents 'Testament of Youth' (cert 12A) at Beaminster Public Hall, 7.30pm, doors 7pm. Tickets from Yarn Barton 01308 862715 weekdays 9.30-12.30, and Saturdays 9.30-1pm. £5 in advance, £5.50 on the door.

Property View

FOUR BEDROOM FAMILY HOME IN RAMPISHAM - £700,000



JEREMY Smith, Senior Manager at Symonds & Sampson's award winning Beaminstor office is delighted to have been chosen to market a fine and spacious detached property lying in the desirable village of Rampisham.

Jeremy commented 'this is a fantastic opportunity for a discerning purchaser to buy a home not only of substance, but requiring sympathetic modernisation to restore it to its former glory. The property which stands in grounds extending to 1.4 acres (0.6ha) needs to be seen to be truly appreciated and is arranged over two floors as follows:-

Entrance hall, a super 37ft drawing room, morning room, 17ft square dining room, office, good size sun lounge, a large kitchen/breakfast room off which lies a utility room, and a cloakroom. On the first floor is a large galleried landing offering a wonderful open aspect to the front of the property with country views in the distance. Master bedroom with



en-suite bath/shower room and a balcony taking in views to the rear. Three further bedrooms and a family bathroom.

Outside the property is approached via a gravelled tree lined driveway and offers extensive parking, triple garage, carport, workshop and stables.

Weatherbury House is offered for sale with vacant possession. Jeremy commented 'we have a key and unlike many of our competitors we are able to arrange accompanied viewings seven days a week'.

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VICARY & Co are please to offer a three bedroom terraced house within walking distance of Bridport town centre. The property benefits from gas central heating and double glazed windows throughout.

The front door enters into the Hall, with fitted carpet flooring. Stairs rise to the first floor. A door leads to the Living / Dining room, which, with fitted carpet flooring, has a window to the front aspect and window and door to the rear aspect, the door giving access to the enclosed courtyard garden. An understairs cupboard gives some storage space.

The Kitchen has a window to the rear aspect and ceramic flooring. The fitted wall units incorporate an electric free-standing slot-in style electric cooker with ceramic hob and a double oven / grill. The work surface incorporates an inset stainless steel sink and has tiling over to the wall units. Space is provided for a free-standing fridge / freezer, and space and plumbing provided for a washing machine.

The first floor landing has an airing cupboard and doors off to the three bedrooms and the bathroom. Bedroom One, a cot room / study, has a window to the front aspect and fitted carpet flooring, as does the larger double size Bedroom Two. Bedroom Three, with a window to the rear aspect, is again a double size room with fitted carpet flooring, and includes built in wardrobes, bedside cabinets and over bed storage units. The



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family Bathroom, with fitted vinyl flooring, has a white bathroom suite of bath with shower facility from the bath mixer / shower tap, a vanity unit incorporating wash hand basin and a WC with concealed cistern.

Outside to the front the garden is open plan with a short path to the front door, whilst the enclosed courtyard garden to the rear has a garden shed. The property has an allocated parking space. EPC rating C. The property is offered unfurnished, and is available NOW at a Reduced Rent of £750 per calendar month.

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NEW

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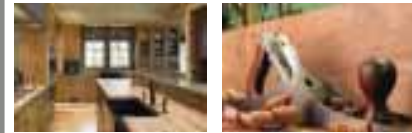
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The New BMW 3 Series Saloon and Touring

THE BMW 3 Series has been a sales phenomenon, with 14 million cars sold since production began with the E21 model in 1975. During that time the model has defined the premium sports saloon segment with today around a quarter of all BMWs sold coming from the 3 Series range.

The new 3 Series Saloon and Touring models receive a subtle evolution to their front and rear styling, with new materials and high-lights introduced to the interior to even further boost the sporting yet comfortable ambience.

Under the bonnet, the majority of engines are completely new and hail from the latest modular BMW EfficientDynamics engine family, with standout models such as the new three-cylinder 318i, the 326hp 340i, the 99g/km 320dED and the 335d with 630Nm of torque. With further advancements to gear-boxes, chassis dynamics and personalisation options, plus a huge array of advanced technology such as the new optional BMW Professional Navigation, the new BMW 3 Series is better equipped than ever before to continue the legend.

Design and equipment: refining excellence

The new BMW 3 Series has a strikingly attractive presence on the road. The distinctively sculpted long bonnet and setback passenger compartment combine with short front and rear overhangs, and a long wheel-base, to create the familiar dynamic proportions of a BMW. In its own way, these are as much a hallmark of a BMW as the perfect 50:50 weight distribution.

Revised headlights include optional LED units with LED indicators now positioned as "eyebrows" above the headlights. These full-LED headlights, which are even more efficient than the xenon headlights offered to date, work with the optional BMW Selective Beam system. The camera-based, anti-dazzle High Beam Assistant adjusts the car's lights using actuators to ensure the road is illuminated as well as possible without dazzling oncoming traffic and vehicles travelling ahead.

In addition, the "eyes" of the BMW 3 Series have moved further apart, visually strengthening the car's broad stance on the road. In cars with standard specification lighting, the headlights are joined by two LED daytime driving light units on each side. These light

strips highlight the hallmark BMW twin headlight arrangement and link the headlight units with the traditional BMW kidney grille.

At the front, broader side air intakes are integrated into the sculptural form of the bumpers. The new, more intricate structure of the central air intake also allows the radar sensor for the Active Cruise Control (ACC) to be housed more discreetly. At the rear, the new rear lights are full-LED units. The light bars, arranged in a distinctive BMW 'L' shape, are more heavily curved, and the integrated LED brake lights now respond faster. The two-piece LED indicators form a horizontal band of light across both sections of the rear lights and stretch into the boot lid (or the tailgate on the BMW 3 Series Touring).



▲ The new BMW 3 Series Saloon

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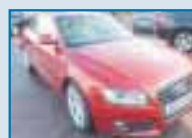
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Dorchester Town FC annual awards

Dillon voted supporters top player



◆ **TRIPLE:** Chris Dillon (right) who picked up three awards

In his first season at the club Chris Dillon picked up three awards at the Dorchester Town FC end of season presentation awards that took place on the pitch after the last game of the season against Slough Town and later in the club.

Dillon was voted The Supporters' Player of the Season, Online Player of the Season and Dorset Echo Player of the Year. Captain Jake Smeeton was voted the First Team Players' Player of the Season as well receiving the Dinky Curtis Memorial Cup.

The full list of winners is as follows:

Supporter's Player of the Season - Chris Dillon;
First Team Players Player of the Season - Jake Smeeton;

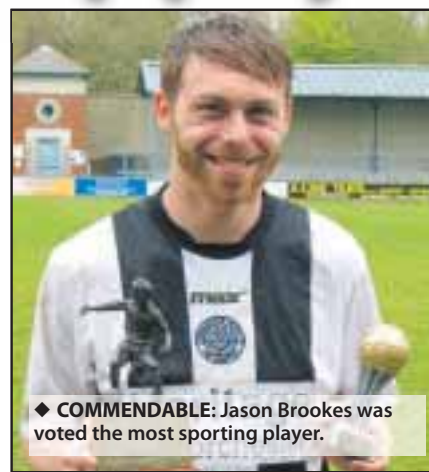
Online Player of the Season - Chris Dillon;
Dorset Echo Player of the Year - Chris Dillon;

Dinky Curtis Memorial Cup - Jake Smeeton;
Jack Lambert Award for Good Sportsmanship - Jason Brookes;
John Rennie Award for Effort - Josh Lucas;

Reserves Players Player of the Year - Brandon Huckstepp;
Reserves Most Promising Player of the Year - David Jerrard;

Fred Bloomfield Lions Club Award for Achievement - DTYFC Magpies U16s Girls;

Clubman of the year - Mike Hedges;
Supporter of the Year - Sam Bernard.



◆ **COMMENDABLE:** Jason Brookes was voted the most sporting player.

Dorset youngsters sail through windsurfing qualifications

A GROUP of Dorset youngsters are riding the crest of a wave after successfully qualifying as windsurfing instructors.

Josh Sheppard, Maria Lochrie, Freddie Cook and Jack Stone were all taught to windsurf at the Official Test Centre (OTC), based at the National Sailing Academy, Portland.

The quartet all achieved Start Windsurfing and Non-Planning Intermediate qualifications before undertaking full windsurfing instructor training.

The training was run by the OTC, with input from the Royal Yachting Association (RYA), whilst funding for the project was put together

by the Chesil Trust using sponsorship from local housing provider Synergy Housing, and a grant from the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP).

It's the second time the project has been run, following a successful pilot in 2013, which saw three unemployed 18-24 year olds successfully train as fully-qualified sailing instructors.

The experience completely transformed the trio's lives; all three now work as sailing instructors in Dorset, Devon and Australia.

Sheppard who lives on Portland, said: "It's one of the best learning experiences I've had and

would recommend it to anyone.

"What I got out of it was a very enjoyable way of trying a new and different sport and I also met lots of new people and gained more confidence."

Lochrie, from Weymouth, added: "It was a really good course; the staff were very helpful and friendly.

"They helped me massively develop my windsurfing ability, as well as building my confidence both on and off the water, especially when teaching."

Paul Seaman, Synergy Housing community development facilitator, said: "This has been an

amazing opportunity for them to gain an internationally-recognised qualification and learn new skills using some of the best facilities of their kind anywhere in the world.

"We work closely with a number of partners in the local area to tackle unemployment issues. Helping local people to gain the expertise they need to help them get into work is one of our top priorities.

"All four of them have worked tirelessly and their new qualifications open up lots of exciting possibilities for them. The world really is their oyster now."

Weymouth Table Tennis League

Young Jamie leads Land Registry to league title

BOTH Division One and Division Three titles were decided in the very last games of the season in one of the closest finishes in the Weymouth & District Table Tennis League's history.

Budmouth B had pipped their teammates Budmouth C to the Division two title, but the other two divisions were far from finished.

Land Registry went in to their final match showdown with Wyke A knowing that they could win the league even if they lost but only by a maximum of eight points.

They needed to draft in a rookie in the form of young Jamie Blair to be able to put out a full team on the night and the 13-year old certainly didn't let the side down.

Blair, who goes to Sheffield to compete in the U13 National finals in June, won all three of his matches including 3-0 wins over both Steve White and his former mentor Sai Maganti.

Steve Jackson also secured three wins and with Andy Millar scoring two wins and eight points followed by teaming up with Jackson to win the closing doubles, the Land Registry ran out 28-10 winners and wrapped up the Division One title.

Wyke finished as runners up ahead of their Wyke M counterparts who secured third place with a 22-11 victory over Shipton Gorge A. John Ryan part scored for Wyke with a full nine points and Miranda Edwardes scored six for Shipton to top score for them. Pilgrims A were unable to secure a win in the league over the course of the season and finished bottom.

However, they did go all the way to the handicap cup final and flew the flag for the top division in the league.

The Division Three title race was decided in an even closer nail biting finish than Division One.

With All Saints having completed their matches and sitting atop the division, Budmouth D needed to make up a 47-point deficit with two games in hand.

The first of these matches was against the girls of Budmouth E who certainly did not make it easy for their male counterparts.

In a tense encounter both Will Jolliffe and Ethan Gear managed to score maximums although Gear was pushed all the way by Erin Stow.

With Eddie Knell taking a leg off both Snigdha Maganti and April Heasman, the boys managed a 23-10 win which meant they needed a further 23 points against a strong and experienced Wyke D team, who were already assured of 3rd place in the division, in their final match.

With the hard hitting Tony Dobbs back in their ranks, Wyke D were clearly up for the fight, however Budmouth got off to a great start with Jolliffe beating Dobbs 3-0.

With the Budmouth boys needing every point Gear found himself 1-2 down to Ian South but somehow summoned the resolve to come back and clinch a 3-2 win.

Knell followed this up by beating Roger Walden 3-0 but Dobbs responded by beating Gear 3-2 and Knell 3-0. When South also beat Knell 3-0 it needed all the skill of Will Jolliffe, the only unbeaten player in Division three, to haul the boys back into contention.

With the score at 20-12 to the boys, a very solid performance in the doubles secured a 3-0 win and a 23-12 score on the night.

So although All Saints and Budmouth D finished equal on 462 legs each, by virtue of the fact that Budmouth D won 17 and All Saints 16, the title was decided on the narrowest of mar-



◆ **FUTURE STARS:** Budmouth D (l-r): Ethan Gear, Will Jolliffe and Eddie Knell who completed a wonderful season.

gins, in fact a single point!

Both sets of boys can look back on a fantastic season and Wyke D, in third place, pushed them all the way.

Steps finished bottom of the league without winning a match but must be commended for turning up week after week and giving 100 per cent with the most commendable of positive attitudes.

Budmouth D made it a league and cup double with a 5-0 win over the previously referred to Pilgrims A in the final. Jolliffe and Gear (along with Snigdha Maganti) were the reigning cup holders and they were in no mood to give it up.

Despite this being a handicap cup, only one of the matches in the final would have been any

different had the matches started off of scratch.

Jolliffe and Gear won both the matches they played and when Knell also chipped in with a victory over Stuart Walden in straight sets the victory was secured and he became Jolliffe's and Gear's latest team mate to share cup fever with.

With a restructure of the Budmouth teams imminent for next season they may well find it much tougher to score a hat trick but you certainly wouldn't put it past them.

Press officer Steve Blair would like to thank Andy Crouch, the league's fixture secretary, for keeping the website up to date with all the results, tables and averages and they can all be found here: www.ttleague.co.uk.

Dorchester & District Snooker

Tense finish.

THE league title was decided in dramatic fashion with WDC Con Club sinking the last black of the eighth frame to draw 4-4 with Trinity M and beat their opponents to the silverware on frames won.

Results: Trinity Gooduns 6 Purbeck Potters 2, Trinity M 4 Brid. Con. Club WDC A 4, Colliton Hopefuls 4 Colliton XQ 2014 4, Colliton Hopefuls 1 Trinity Gooduns 6, WDC Y.Y.M.F.D.T. 2 Colliton XQ 2014 6.

30+ breaks: E Wellman 63, 40, 30; M Beale 31.

Top Break of the Season: G Bartlett 68.

Final table	Pld	Pts
Bridport Con Club.....	16	72
Trinity M	16	72
Trinity Gooduns	16	69
Colliton XQ2014	16	59
Purbeck Potters	16	58
WDC YYMFDT.....	16	57
Trinity Express	16	54
Colliton Hopefuls.....	16	52
Whipping Boys	16	32

Team Open Knock-Out Cup-Final
Brid. Con. Club WDC A 4
Trinity M 3.

Team Handicap Knock-Out Cup-Final
Purbeck Potters 4
Trinity M 3.

Individual Open Knock-Out - Final
Evan Wellman (Brid Con Club WDC A) 3 Sean Rhone (Trinity Gooduns) 0.

Individual Handicap Knock-Out - Final
Graham Haddow (Trinity Gooduns) 3 Evan Wellman (Brid Con Club WDC A) 2.

Open Pairs Knock-Out Final result
Graham Haddow & Sean Rhone (Trinity Gooduns) 3
Graham Bartlett & Evan Wellman (Brid Con Club WDC A) 1.

Annual General Meeting

THE Annual General Meeting of the Dorchester & District Snooker & Billiards League will be held on Monday, June 15th at 7.30pm at the Colliton Club, Dorchester.

The presentation of trophies for the current season will also take place on this night.

Would any teams or clubs in possession of league trophies please return them to the Secretary for engraving.

The 2015-16 snooker season will restart in September.

New clubs or teams are welcome. Anyone interested should contact the Secretary on 01305 266362.

As they stand

Dorset Premier	Pld	Pts
Parley.....	2	38
Poole Town.....	2	35
Broadstone.....	2	29
MARTINSTOWN.....	2	27
Sherborne.....	2	26
Wimborne & Colehill.....	2	25
Swanage.....	2	23
Stalbridge.....	2	21
WEYMOUTH.....	2	9
DORCHESTER.....	2	7

Dorset Division 2	Pld	Pts
Cerne Valley.....	2	40
PORTLAND RT.....	2	38
Christchurch.....	2	37
Bournemouth 3rds.....	2	26
Compton House.....	2	25
Cranbourne.....	2	25
Witchampton.....	2	25
Branksome & P'stone.....	2	14
Marnhull.....	2	12
CATTISTOCK.....	2	10

Dorset Division 3	Pld	Pts
Ashmore.....	2	40
BEAMINSTER.....	2	39
DORCHESTER 2nds.....	2	39
Stalbridge 2nds.....	2	26
WEYMOUTH 2nds.....	2	23
Sturminster Marshall.....	2	22
Kingston Lacy.....	2	19
Poole Town 3rds.....	2	13
Wimborne & Col 3rds.....	2	10
Wareham.....	2	5

Dorset Division 4	Pld	Pts
Swanage 2nds.....	2	39
Shillingstone 2nds.....	2	32
Sturminster & Hinton.....	2	30
ABBOTSBURY.....	2	29
Hamworthy Rec 2nds.....	2	25
Sherborne 2nds.....	2	24
Dorset Indians.....	2	21
Corfe Mullen 2nds.....	2	18
BRIDPORT.....	2	12
Pimperne.....	2	8

Dorset Division 5	Pld	Pts
CHALKE VALLEY.....	2	40
PUDDLETOWN.....	2	38
CHARLTON DOWN.....	2	30
Shaftesbury.....	2	29
Blandford 2nds.....	2	27
Martinstown 2nds.....	2	26
Broadstone 3rds.....	2	25
Cerne Valley 2nds.....	2	9
Bradford Abbas.....	2	0
PORTLAND RT 2nds.....	2	0

Dorset Division 6	Pld	Pts
Bere Regis 2nds.....	2	39
Blandford 3rds.....	2	25
Wimborne & Col 4ths.....	2	18
Parley 5ths.....	2	20
Poole Town 4ths.....	2	20
Witchampton 2nds.....	2	16
Marnhull 2nds.....	2	13
Stalbridge 3rds.....	2	11
BEAMINSTER 2nds.....	2	10

Sunday Division 1	Pld	Pts
Henstridge.....	2	20
Dewlish.....	2	20
St Georges.....	2	20
Broadstone.....	2	20
Bournemouth.....	2	5
Fovant.....	2	5
Winton.....	2	5
Sherborne.....	2	5
PORTLAND RT.....	2	5
Bradford Abbas.....	2	4

Sunday Division 2	Pld	Pts
Poole Town.....	2	11
Witchampton.....	2	10
Sturminster & Hinton.....	2	5
WEYMOUTH.....	2	5
CHARLTON DOWN.....	2	5
Pokedown Willows.....	2	5
Old Blandfordians.....	2	5
Corfe Mullen.....	2	5

Sunday Division 3	Pld	Pts
Ellingham.....	2	40
Dorset Indians.....	2	20
Shillingstone.....	2	20
Cheselbourne.....	2	18
PUDDLETOWN.....	2	12
PORTLAND RT 2nds.....	2	10
Broadstone 2nds.....	2	5
SYMENE.....	2	-20

A view from Third Man - The Dorset cricket scene

WITH STUART BROOM

Wimborne grilled by Herring's fifer

Dorset Funeral Plan League Premier Division

STALBRIDGE 129 ALL OUT BEAT
DORCHESTER 75 ALL OUT BY 44 RUNS

AFTER giving themselves a chance of victory at Stalbridge with a much improved display in the field by bowling out their hosts for 129, Dorchester crashed to their second defeat of the season with a poor performance with the willow that saw them dismissed for just 75 all out to leave them bottom of the league.

After an opening stand of 35, Stalbridge collapsed to 62-7 as Dan Belt (2-15), Shaun Little (2-10) and captain Simon Mitchem (3-18) ripped through the home sides batting.

However, an eighth wicket stand of 53 between Andy Dike (24) and Colin Moore ((19) bolstered the tail end leaving Dorchester what appeared a modest target of 130 for victory.

However, the experienced opening pair of Stuart Sweatman (3-38) and Steve Forshaw (2-7) quickly reduced Dorchester to 15-4 in reply.

Mitchem (14) and Sean Fitzgerald (15) tried to stop the flow but when the captain went at 70 the last five wickets fell for just five runs as Rob Knight (3-13) and Simon Sweatman (2-3) cleaned up the tail.

With Weymouth just above them, this Saturday's encounter at The Rec will be fascinating

MARTINSTOWN 272-7 LOST TO
PARLEY 278-4 BY 6 WICKETS

ONE of the lessons Martinstown have taken on board is to pace their innings and use their allocation, and although they lost to a very good Parley side, they produced an encouraging performance.

Electing to bat, captain Ed Nichols and Lee House got the hosts off to a steady start seeing off the lively opening Parley bowlers, putting on 90 for the first wicket.

House was then the first of three to be stumped by Alex Nippard. Liam Banfield (34) and Dave Herbert (32) helped their skipper add a further 91 before Nichols was dismissed by a superb catch at extra fine leg for a fine 74 to add to his half century last week.

Ross Stewart with a quickfire 36 including four 4's and two sixes, Matt Camp and Danny Way, both with 15 apiece saw Martinstown reach a challenging 272-7 in their 50 overs.

This score might have been much more challenging had Martinstown held on to two chances afforded them by Nippard when on three.

Chris Read had trapped Harrison Clarke with a yorker in the first over of the innings to leave them 2-1.

But Nippard having survived the dropped chances, went on to punish the hosts scoring an unbeaten 111 from 121 ball, as support from Callum Hewetson (60) and Ollie Green

(74) saw the visitors triumph with seven overs and six wickets to spare.

There was one bright spot however, with young teenager John Stewart on his Premier League debut taking 2-29 in his four overs.

Nichols said: "We paced our innings well and to score over 270 was pleasing. However in the field we need to learn to take our chances.

"Although most bowled well they taught us a lesson in ensuring we don't bowl too many loose balls.

"They were also excellent in the field and it was good for us to experience that at this level, if we want to improve we need to take our chances and ensure we keep bad balls to a minimum."

WEYMOUTH 156-8 LOST TO
POOLE TOWN 168-9 BY 12 RUNS

DESPITE defeat stand-in captain Simon Browne was pleased with his sides display against the reigning champions.

After a good display in the field Weymouth restricted their visitors to a gettable target as Dave Trotter (3-27) and Graham Puckett (3-19) tore into their top order to leave them tottering on 46-6.

But an eighth wicket partnership between David Miller (74) and Jon Salt (39) rescued them allowing them to reach 168-9 in their allotted overs.

However Weymouth's top order didn't fair any better as Salt (5-40) helped reduce them to 54-5 in reply.

But Browne (45) found an ally in Trotter (44) and they looked to be nudging the Seaside's towards their first win of the season before both were dismissed with victory in sight.

County Division Two
CATTISTOCK 156-9 LOST TO
PORTLAND RT 175-5 BY 19 RUNS

CATTISTOCK were disappointed not to beat Portland Red Triangle particularly as the Islanders top scorer Chris Leake was controversially reinstated after being given out caught behind having scored 17 with Portland in some trouble at 57-4.

However, the Martinstown umpire standing at square leg not only called a no ball, but also claimed the catch was taken in front of the wicket, and he was reinstated.

Leake went on to score an unbeaten 81 not out and with the help of Chris Theakestone (25) and Steve Barrett (21no) help his side to 175-5 in their allotted overs.

Only Martin Langford (2-13) had any success with the ball for the hosts.

Despite several players making starts, no Cattistock batsman could go on to produce a commanding innings.

Jack Walklett top scored with 28, with Sam Baker (24) Jon Legg (21), Bradley Damon (18) and Billy Browning (18no) also making contributions, but with Matt Barrett (3-36) and Matt Randall (3-36) both successful, Cattistock fell 19 runs short.

County Division Three
WIMBORNE & COLEHILL 3RD 129 ALL OUT
LOST TO BEAMINSTER 185-7 BY 56 RUNS

BEAMINSTER made it two out of two for the season with the win at Wimborne & Colehill 3rds.

Batting first on a green and slow wicket with short boundaries, they lost Adam Herring (6) early on.

But opener Richie Runyard (30) and Ross Baker despite struggling to time the ball, took advantage of any loose deliveries and ran well between the wickets to add 49 for the

second wicket.

Runyard's dismissal sparked a mini collapse as they lost three quick wickets. However top scorer Baker (61) remained, playing a number of aggressive shots, hitting seven boundaries and two maximums.

When he was dismissed Beaminster's tail wagged as debutant Francis Medley hit an aggressive 30, well supported by Dave Penman (25 not out) and with Brian Earl (9 not out) Beaminster closed on 185-7 off of their 45 overs.

In reply, Wimborne started well as opener Wellington (48) went on the offensive striking a number of boundaries, and with Sanders (21) also in good touch Wimborne were in an excellent position at 83-3 after 20 overs.

Seamer Adam Herring then produced an inspired bowling performance as he bowled unchanged taking 5-15, and with spinner Mark Barber also claiming 2-18, Wimborne's chase failed to transpire.

After a poor performance in the field the previous week Beaminster fielders were transformed; Runyard executed a sharp stumping, Will Everitt took a well judged catch in the deep and Baker took a one handed catch at silly mid on. Beaminster first team have now won their last six league matches.

DORCHESTER 2ND 184-8 BEAT
STALBRIDGE 2ND 129 BY 55 RUNS

DORCHESTER 2nds remain undefeated after this win.

Losing the toss and asked to bat, the county town lost Rhys Cole (2) but Malcolm Sroudeley, making his debut joined Simon Joslin both played well to see off the opening bowlers.

The loss of Joslin for a fantastic 49 brought the reliable Mike Peak to the wicket.

Despite losing Stroud with a ball that never got off the ground and Stuart Beasley lbw to a similar ball just two balls later, he played his shots with ease, and with the help of Matt Porter (21) and the lower order, steered his side to 184-8, finishing undefeated with a fine 45 not out.

Beasley (2-23) and Peak (2-27) opened the bowling in reply knowing that with a few young players in the Stalbridge ranks they knew a couple of wickets early could get the job done.

Peak made the breakthrough with the score on 39, and wickets began to fall at a steady rate. Cole (2-33) had the visiting captain caught by Sroudeley before Matt Porter (1-1) joined in to dismiss Stalbridge for 129 all out.

Beasley said: "This was a fantastic win in which everyone played their part. Next week we face Weymouth 2nds and we will look to get maximum points again and keep the pressure on the leaders."

KINGSTON LACY 96-6 BEAT
WEYMOUTH 2ND 95 ALL OUT BY 4 WKTS
County Division Four
DORSET INDIANS (POOLE) 168 ALL OUT
BEAT BRIDPORT 116 ALL OUT BY 52 RUNS

BRIDPORT got their season underway after a blank last Saturday with a trip to Poole to play new club Dorset Indians.

On a very poor wicket Aussie Guy Kerr (3-32) on his debut and the returning Chris Backhouse (2-23) had the hosts in trouble at 10-3; one of the dismissals a fabulous catch by wicketkeeper Callum Pattinson who was wrong footed but still made the

catch.

But a stand of around 70 between the fortuitous Joseph, who was dropped four times as he looked to thrash every ball, and Boiny with a much more cultured 49 took the game away from Bridport for a while, despite a good spell from 17-year-old Calvin Lewis (0-23 from five overs).

However the introduction of captain Duane Gay (4-36) and his father, the evergreen Rod Gay (1-26) finally saw the Indians dismissed for 168 all out.

Ten man Bridport didn't start well with Pattinson sent back to the pavilion for a duck, but the Gay's appeared to have recovered the situation with a second wicket partnership of 64, before Rod (12) was trapped lbw.

Jamie Dolman went for two, but the dismissal of Duane Gay for a fine 52 signalled the end.

Backhouse appeared to give them hope but on 15 spooned an easy catch which saw Bridport dismissed for 116 and defeat by 52 runs.

County Division Five
PORTLAND RED TRIANGLE 2ND 27 LOST
TO CHARLTON DOWN 28-0 BY 10 WKTS

CHARLTON Down got their season underway in emphatic style with a crushing 10-wicket victory over an experienced Portland Red Triangle 2nds that included three ex-premier league players.

The wicket was very damp due to the early morning rain. The toss was crucial therefore and went the way of Charlton Down whose bowlers made good use of the conditions.

It was the Stevens brothers, Matt (17) with 3-12 and Dan (15) with 3-3 who wreaked havoc in the first eight overs of the match reducing Portland to 12-5.

Dan struck first having Adkins caught by Lucas as he tried to clear the infield. Brother Matt then had Jan Davey well caught by Miller at mid off and bowled Gareth Price (2) who inside edged the ball onto his stumps.

Dan Stevens then bowled Gary Randall with a brilliant ball which pitched outside leg stump taking the top of middle, and then bowled Tombs in his next over, leaving the Portland innings in tatters.

Unfortunately due to his age, Dan was unable to bowl any more overs and finished with impressive figures of 5-3-3-3.

Matt Stevens then removed Thornton to end with an impressive 3-12 off his eight overs.

The change bowlers carried on the excellent line and length instructions on the damp wicket and Cameron Lucas (3-3) picked up two wickets in four balls removing Jason Styles to a low catch by Rob Deadman behind the wicket, and then forced Walker to edge the ball onto his stumps.

This left Portland 21-8 which soon became 27 all out when Kim Park (1-4) and Lucas bowled the remaining to batsmen.

The Charlton Down openers Jae Miller and Javed Gill knocked off the winning runs at the start of the fourth over to seal the win.

Captain Tommy Tucker said: "The wicket was very damp, and winning the toss was crucial to the result, but as a unit the bowling was exceptional and praise must go to all the bowlers who were superb.

"Also special mention for Tim Stevens who produced some fantastic diving stops in the field off his sons bowling.



◆ Ben Bradley - 66 runs.

CERNE VALLEY 2ND 120-9 LOST TO
MARTINSTOWN 2ND 121-3 BY 7 WICKETS

ON a bright but windy day, Cerne won the toss and decided to bat.

Bowling into the wind James Pickering (1-12 from six overs) moved the ball in the air, while Ryan Blair (1-9 from six) was bowling an impressive line and length. These spells imposed a control that the Cerne batsmen failed to break free from.

Only R Edmunds with four 6s in his 59 broke free occasionally from the shackles. Jamie Stewart (1-19) and Steve Gerety (2-16) kept the pressure on a young Cerne batting line up, and Jacobs and Crosthwaite with five wickets between them took advantage of the pressure.

There was also a run out that was largely due to a great piece of work by young Sean Williams as Cerne reached a meagre total of 120-9 in their 40 overs.

The Martinstown reply stuttered at the start with Olly Osbourne getting strangled down the leg side again, and Gerety getting a good ball first up.

The repair work to the innings needed the flair of Ben Bradley caught out for a brilliant 66, and Olly Gargrave's gritty 15 not out. Grant Neven with 8 not out saw the innings home for a seven-wicket win.

Captain Crosthwaite said: "There will be harder games to come but it was great for the team to get their first win of the season under their belt."

County Division Six
BEAMINSTER 2ND V WIMBORNE & COLEHILL 4TH CANCELLED (WATERLOGGED)
Readers Mid-Wessex League
Division One
CRANMORE 249-7 BEAT BROADWINDSOR
81 ALL OUT BY 168 RUNS

DEFENDING champions Broadwindsor looked to have got their defence of the title off to a reasonable start with their hosts 120-5, but a century sixth wicket partnership took the game away from them, before a poor batting performance condemned them to defeat.

With three or four players having moved away or retired, captain Ade Phillips is expecting a harder season.

Phillips (2-40) and Murray Legg (1-23) from their eight overs were the most successful Broadwindsor bowlers, whilst only Steve Phillips (23) and Chris Park (20) showed any form with the bat.

Top batting performances

Ed Nichols (Martinstown) 74; Ben Bradley (Martinstown 2nds) 66; Duane Gay (Bridport) 52.

Top bowling performances

Adam Herring (Beaminster) 5-15; Duane Gay (Bridport) 4-46.



◆ Adam Herring - 5 for 15

Bridport Skittles

THE annual presentation night takes place this Friday (May 15th) at Freshwater starting at 8.30pm – tickets on sale from the Lord Nelson priced at £4 or £6 on the door on the night.

There will be a raffle held in aid of the Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance with a first prize of £100 plus many other prizes.

Entry forms for next season need to be returned to the secretary by May 31st.

Division A	Pld	Pts
Wanderers	22	39
Shipfaced	22	36
Masters	22	30
Rejects	22	28
Rockets	22	24
Rough Eight	22	24
Lively Lads	22	20
Outsiders	22	18
Slingers	22	14
Denhay	22	13
Broad oak	22	11
The Dingles	22	7

Division B	Pld	Pts
Nelson Nobblers	22	38
Originals	22	32
U Know the Blokes	22	29
Dingbats	22	28
Crazy Gang	22	22
Miss The Ball	22	22
NBC	21	22
Gerryatics	22	16
Bangers	21	15
7" Clock	22	14
LHS	22	14
Mean Machine	22	10

Division C	Pld	Pts
Castouts	22	34
Countrymen	22	32
Whiskey Chasers	22	27
Pioneers	21	26
Bulldogs	22	24
Strawpeedoes	22	23
Aussies Lot	22	20
Unknowns	22	20
Survivors	22	18
Pinseekers	22	17
Alcoholics	22	14
AFAR	21	7

Division D	Pld	Pts
Yo Yo's	22	34
Groundhogs	22	34
Stingers	22	30
Let 'em Roll	22	29
Brandy Snaps	22	27
Alleycats	22	22
Hidden Talent	22	22
Offcuts	22	21
Featherbeds	22	20
Bad Girls	22	11
Tiger Lilies	22	8
Pinbashers	22	6

Highest individual score: B. Franklin (U know the Blokes) 93.
Ladies: N.Broad (Hidden talent) 85.

Lyme Regis golf

Jolly Janes!

DOMINIC Beardwood and Cameron Moss finished 1st and 2nd in the Junior order of merit with a nett 71 and 78 respectively.

In the Ladies Foundation Brooch medal Division One Jane Dixon just beat Jenny Scott on countback, both with nett 76 while Di Smith was only a shot behind them to finish 3rd.

In Division Two Jane Broom was the runaway winner with a nett 71, Rosemary Shepherd 2nd on 74 and Lizzie Linnert 3rd on 79.

The golfers are gearing up for the club day competition on Saturday as mixed teams of ladies, juniors, men and seniors all play golf together followed by a social evening.

Gig racing

Lyme Gig Club achieve best yet

LYME Regis Gig Club sent their competitive rowing team to the recent Isles of Scilly Gig rowing World Championships where they delivered, by far, their best results ever from a field of over 150 boats.

In very challenging waters, all of the teams were at the very top of their game, having to concentrate on every stroke to achieve a good position at the finish line and this was reflected in the overall results.

The weekend's event got under way on the Friday evening with the longer St Agnes to St Mary's race.

With a considerable swell and less than satisfactory visibility, the Ladies Vets and Supervets teams started proceedings, leaving the start line at St

Agnes and finishing in St. Mary's harbour.

By the time they had finished, the mist was rolling in over St. Agnes, diminishing the visibility by the minute with the Men's Vets and Supervets now having to complete the same course.

The Ladies Supervets finished a very creditable 4th in Black Ven, whilst both the Mens Vets in Tempest and Mens Supervets in Black Ven finished 10th in their races.

The remainder of the weekend was all about the A, B and C Ladies and Men's teams qualifying for the final races on Sunday afternoon.

Heats of 12 gigs raced on Saturday and Sunday morning to determine the final group standings in Sunday's final

◆ NEAR THE TOP OF THE WORLD: The Mens A team who finished 24th best in the world.



◆ GREAT EFFORT: The Ladies A team who improved on last year's finish

race.

The event drew to a close with the traditional "rafting up" ceremony, toasting the final groups across the finishing line.

All the teams acquitted themselves well, results as follows along with comments from Club Captain Henry Barlow; Ladies A (in Tempest) – 7th Group E Ladies B (Black Ven) – 3rd Group G

"Both crews made big improvements on last year's results, reaping the rewards of a very committed training regime."

Ladies C (Rebel) – 8th Group L – "A fantastic effort from a relatively new crew and cox; showing great tenacity in conditions they had not rowed in before."

Mens A (Tempest) – 12th Group B (24th in the world) – "Racing with the same intensity that they had trained with

all winter, this crew achieved the highest result in the history of the club by coming 24th in the world."

Mens B (Black Ven) – 10th Group E – "Containing two Scilly first timers this crew rowed consistently well right through the weekend and achieved the same finish as the A crew had the previous year."

Mens C (Rebel) – 10th Group H – "Despite being one of the older crews participating, this crew performed magnificently to achieve the highest ever finish by a Lyme C crew."

On the club as a whole Barlow said: "There was great club spirit and results across all the crews, achieved by an incredible level of commitment to training."

Bridport Bowling Club

Plenty of games despite bad weather

THE Bank Holiday weather saw Bridport men's Dorset League Championship and Division 2 home games postponed, but the B team travelled to LYME REGIS and in atrocious weather played just 15 ends, losing on all three rinks.

However Peter Scott, Bob Seadon, J. Black & Roy Lidington who lost 13-15 were unlucky, losing four on the 14th end.

Clive Langdon, Mike Smith, David Eastman & Chris Taylor lost 9-18, whilst Derek Hoskins, Ken Sanger, Steve Bartlett & Andy Spiller went down 5-24.

The Ladies league matches were postponed.

In a friendly match Bridport men triumphed over LYME REGIS by 3

rinks to 2, overall 107-92, top rink was M Smith, D Eastman, Derek Crocker & Alan Skelton who won 25-12.

In the Men's South Dorset League Bridport A lost narrowly to DORCHESTER A in three tight games, losing by two shots overall but only picking up two points.

Bob Taylor, Fred Pomeroy, Paul Tibble & Ben Jones went down 16-19, as did Bill Payne, Tom Tocher, John Carter & Craig Bosher 18-20, but Chris Thorne, Barry Shortland, Brian Iverson & Dave Roberts won 18-15.

The B team fared better against DORCHESTER B winning eight points with a magnificent 35-5 victory for Langdon, Mike Smith, East-



◆ STREET'S AHEAD: Bill Street in action in Bridport's 107-92 win at Lyme Regis in last Thursday friendly.
Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE

man & Taylor.

Hoskins, Sanger, Seadon & Lidington were stuck on 14 for six ends but got the one shot on the last end to win 15-14. Peter Scott, Mel Griffiths, John Ireland & J. Block lost 14-18.

The C team played WELLWORTHY B and secured a tight 42-39 overall win.

Alan Cowdrey, Brian Pratt, Roger Herbert & Arthur Stone 8-22; Dave Smith, D Hocking, B Stone & Sam Dunn fought back from a bad start to draw 11-11 and D Aylott, Peter Car-

nell, Alan Skelton & Dave Robbins won 20-10.

In a friendly away to FENITON, the top rink was Mel Griffiths, David Gundry, Margaret Strange & D Robbins 27-14, but by scoring 7 on their penultimate end Marion Carter, Allen Bird, Pauline Newitt & D Smith secured the overall win 117-114.

Bridport won 100-72 at home against SOMERTON.

Top rink, with another last end 7, was Tom Tocher, Alison Tibble, Bill Fox & Laura Taylor who won 33-9.

Oppie cadets set sail at Lyme

LYME Regis Sailing Club's newly formed 'Oppie' Cadet group set sail for their second lesson last Saturday and could be seen tacking back and forth in their tiny dinghies off the beach at Lyme.

Twelve children aged 6 to 11 are the first group to take to the sea in a new initiative to introduce local youngsters to sailing at an earlier age, complementing the club's Tuesday sessions for 10 to 17 year olds and race training group.

This group was set up by the club's Vice Com-



◆ GREAT FUN: The Oppie cadets in action

modore Dave Stubbs, with the support of experienced club sailors and the involvement of the parents, providing a safe introduction to sailing in a controlled environment.

"This will be the start of an Optimist fleet at the club", said Dave, "An addition to our training for the youngest members. They are very keen and enjoyment is key at this stage".

Bridport indoor bowls

Foxhounds are top dogs whilst Hazel's go nuts!

FOXHOUNDS were top dogs in week one of the Summer Evening League, Mary Hansford, Mike Parson & Paul Hallett, ripping apart the Great Danes 25-5.

Sylvia and Mike Fletcher & Viv Gill's Harriers were also in a mean mood, defeating the Elk Hounds 23-9.

Gordon Lee, Reg Dodd & Andy Marsh's Colliers finished 3,4,1,1 to beat the Kerry Blues 20-7, whilst Lyn Craddock, Roy Gill & David Drake's Jack Russell's knocked spots off the Dalmation's with a 14-8 win.

Meanwhile the lovable Labradors; Erica Sarson, Barbara Jenkins & Margaret Pestelle pipped the Beagles 10-9.

In the Morning League the Hazel's of Jenkins, Ann Parkins & Millie Meech took top spot following a 1,7,2,3,3 run, gave them a 22-5 win over the Ebonies.

A 3,1,2 finish by the Fletchers & Keith Jenkins saw the Dogwood's beat Junipers 14-7.

Pat Anderson, Rose & Chris Everest's Firs finished 1,1,2,1 to bring down the Gum Trees 8-6, whilst Sheila Burt and Lyn & Mike Craddock's Cedars beat Kingwoods 14-10.

Alan Barr, Rosie & Martin Wilton's Larches snatched a 9-9 draw by winning the last two ends by a shot against Bernard Waterman, Wendy Symes & Chris Clarke's Beeches.

Rugby

BRIDPORT Rugby Club will be holding its Annual General Meeting on Thursday, May 21st at 7pm in the clubhouse.

All members are invited for the nomination and election of officers.

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INSIDE: Dorchester Town FC annual awards



◆ **MAGPIES AWARDS:** Lewis Morgan (left) receives the Dorchester Town Player-of-the-Month award for April from Monica Edge. Meanwhile, first aider Mike Hedges (right) is recognised for his valuable help as he receives his Clubman-of-the-Year award from Heather Hayward. More from the club's annual awards inside on page 45.



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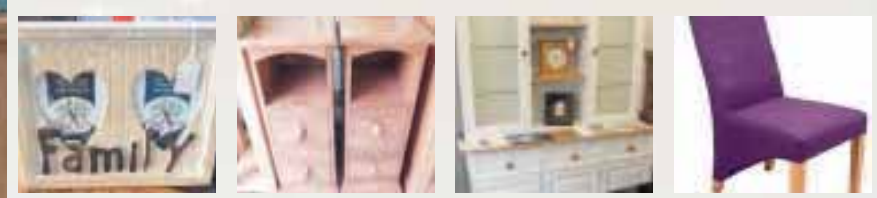
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